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ENEMY NIGHT ATTACKS LESS EFFECTIVE THAN ANY SINCE SATURDAY

Incendiaries Extinguished By Wardens Before Fires Start

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—"SEVERE LOSSES INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY. IN YESTERDAY'S AIR BATTLES AND THE ATTACKS WHICH FOLLOWED DURING THE NIGHT, WERE LESS EFFECTIVE THAN ANY OF THOSE SINCE SATURDAY," states an Air Ministry and the Ministry of Home Security communiqué, which adds "the London area was again the subject of the majority of these attacks, although, as is his custom, many bombs were scattered at random by the enemy over widely separated districts in the capital and the main force of his offensive was directed against south London and its suburbs."

"SHORTLY AFTER DARKNESS FELL, FORMATIONS OF ENEMY BOMBERS APPROACHED THE LONDON AREA AND THESE WERE FOLLOWED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT BY WAVES OF FURTHER AIRCRAFT."

KING SENDS MESSAGE TO GEN. PERSHING

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (BWS).—The following message has been sent by the King to General John J. Pershing, former Commander-in-Chief of the American Army:—"I send you my warmest congratulations on your eightieth birthday together with the best wishes of the people of this country where you will always be held in affectionate esteem as the distinguished leader and comrade-in-arms during the Great War."

Britain's War Purchases In Canada

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (BWS).—Britain and Canada together have made capital investment of \$222,600,000 in war production plants across the Dominion, stated the Canadian Minister of Munitions and Supply yesterday. They would have a productive capacity of \$300,000,000 value annually in all kinds of war supplies. Britain's war purchases in Canada to date, he added, totalled \$208,000,000, exclusive of lumber and foodstuffs.

KHARTOUM RAID

KHARTOUM, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—Helped by a fine moonlight night, Italian war planes raided the town on Sept. 10 but caused no damage and there were no casualties.

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"Our anti-aircraft batteries have been constantly in action and heavy barrages were put up to prevent many enemy bombers from reaching their objectives. Reports at present available show that two bombers were shot down by anti-aircraft fire. "High explosive and incendiary bombs have started fires and fallen on many buildings. Two hospitals, many houses and some small factories have been hit. "A marked feature of the raid was the number of incendiary bombs which were extinguished by air raid wardens before being allowed to develop into fires. "It is not yet possible to give the figure of casualties and although there are a number of persons killed and injured, it is probable that they are less than in any of the four previous nights. "Outside the London area, enemy activity, although widespread, has been relatively slight. Some bombs were dropped in a town in South Wales and towns in the North-Western area. Some damage was done in each of these areas but the number of casualties were small."

TERRIFIC GUNFIRE
LONDON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—Terrorific gunfire was maintained throughout the night. The Germans appeared to be using relays of very fast machines, flying singly, which made quick dashes. One raider was known to have been brought down in north London.

89 GERMAN AIRCRAFT DESTROYED IN BATTLES DURING WEDNESDAY

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (BRITISH WIRELESS).—"IT IS NOW CONFIRMED THAT IN YESTERDAY'S AIR BATTLES 89 ENEMY AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED 80 OF THESE BEING SHOT DOWN BY OUR FIGHTERS AND NINE BY ANTI-AIRCRAFT FIRE. Twenty-four of our fighters are missing but the pilots of seven of these are safe," states an Air Ministry communiqué. Figures of enemy losses here confirmed are those issued after and as a correction to the official intimation in the early hours of today that reports received up to midnight indicated that 90 German aircraft had been destroyed."

A.A. Barrage Based On New Methods Of Prediction

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (BWS).—Deep impressions have been caused in London by the effect of the anti-aircraft barrage in last night's raids. Responsible military authorities today admitted that anti-aircraft fire last night was in the form of a barrage based on new methods of prediction which it is believed will get better. No detailed reports are available to the authorities at present apart from facts already announced in the communiqué this morning, but it can be said that in competent quarters, the experiment is regarded as having already gone a considerable way to justify itself and it is likely that it will be continued.

There was not a single searchlight in the sky over London while the metropolis rocked to a devastating barrage which put up a curtain of fire limiting the German depredations.

DEATH ROLL SLIGHT
LONDON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—Although no casualty lists have yet been issued, it is now known that the death roll in yesterday's bombing and shelling of the Dover area was remarkably slight. Not more than a dozen people were believed to have been killed although rescue squads are still digging among the debris where six bombs fell.

LORD MAYOR'S
RED CROSS
FUND
LONDON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund and the St. John's Fund now totals £3,115,000. Among the latest gifts is £200 from Valparaiso's British Women's League. The Georgetown Committee of British Guiana sent a further £2,000 towards the cost of new planes.

Unless Enemy Cripples British Air Power They Have No Chance Of Surmounting Other Obstacles

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (BWS).—Comment in the newspapers on the Prime Minister's broadcast yesterday evening shows that the general opinion is it drew "all lines of the present phase of the war together into a picture of truer proportions than is easily achieved by a private citizen under bombardment." For example, THE TIMES points out: "Mr. Churchill has properly placed in the forefront of his address, the really critical daylight battles in which the enemy launches attacks upon the R.A.F. bases—so far with insignificant success. It is absolutely necessary for the Germans to continue these assaults, for unless they can seriously cripple our air power, they have no chance of surmounting the many other obstacles that stand in the way of their promised invasion."

"No amount of night bombing, at the expense of civilians, can help to achieve the essential success. Yet so long as they are forced to risk daylight attack, they will continue to suffer losses in the devastating proportion of three to one in machines and six to one in crews."

WELCOME ADMISSIONS
"The German Wireless indiscreetly, but obligingly, informs the world that the object of the bombs which have been 'scattered' is to intimidate the British people into a change of Government. These are welcome admissions even though superfluous."

"The fatal impairment of British military power, now growing daily in all its forms, would be one thing, but the attempt to break the British nerve is least of all likely to succeed when the enemy blatantly advertises his terroristic purpose."

JAPANESE OFFENSIVE IN HONAN

LOYANG, SEPT. 12 (CENTRAL).—Under the cover of heavy artillery barrage, a Japanese force from Kaifeng made an abortive attempt to cross a tributary of the Yellow River near Chungchow, 20 miles southwest of Kaifeng on the Lung-hai Railway, on Sept. 10. The Japanese were greeted by intense Chinese fire and forced to beat a hasty retreat. Pierce fighting has been raging on the Honan-Shansi border regions during the last two days. The Chinese are reported to have recovered Lanchow, inside the Shansi border and several other points nearby. The Japanese garrison in Lanchow was wiped out.

A westbound Japanese troop train on the horizontal Taokou-Chinghua Railway in north Honan recently struck a Chinese mine and was blown up east of Shiwu, 24 miles east of Po Ai. Some 1,000 Japanese were killed and wounded.

NEW JAPANESE C.G. AT SHAI

TOKYO, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—The formal appointment of Mr. Horichi, former Director of East Asiatic Affairs Bureau, as the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai and concurrently Minister to China, was announced by the Foreign Office today. Mr. Horichi will succeed Mr. Yoshiaki Miura, who has been mentioned as the new Minister to Mexico.

INDO-CHINA AUTHORITIES BLOW UP BRIDGE AT SHUIKOU KWAN. LARGE NUMBERS OF PLAINCLOTHES JAPANESE REPORTED FILTERING IN

SHANGHAI, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—The Takungpao carried a report yesterday that the Indo-China authorities had dynamited the iron bridge at Shuihoukwan, about 25 miles west of Lungchow, on the Indo-China-Kwangsi border a report from the wartime capital reveals.

Reliable Chinese sources at Kweilin declared yesterday that about 4,000 Japanese troops and 5,000 Formosan student volunteers have reached the Indo-China border at Lungchow, concentrated at Yamchow, the report continues.



GENERAL FRANCO

NEW YORK, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—The National Broadcasting Company quotes the Rome broadcast for the statement that General Franco is shortly visiting Berlin at the invitation of the German Government.

Large numbers of plainclothes Japanese are also said to have filtered into Indo-China during the past two days.

General de Gaulle's agents have become very active in French Indo-China in an effort to induce the authorities to side with "independent France" in resisting aggression, says a Hongkong report to the TAKUNGPAO.

Many are already sympathizing with Gen. de Gaulle and it is believed that if the authorities can be won over, British and American naval units in the Far East will render armed support to safeguard Indo-China, the report continued.

Vice-Admiral Decoux, Governor-General of Indo-China is reported to be opposed to the agreement to be signed between the Vichy and Tokyo Governments, as he considers it detrimental to the interests of the Colony.

While negotiations are said to be continuing between Admiral Decoux and Maj.-Gen. Nishihara, head of the Japanese Military Mission, their difference in views over many points has not yet been smoothed out.

SOVIET INTEREST

SHANGHAI, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—The Soviet Ambassador to China paid a series of calls upon the Chinese Foreign Minister, Dr. Wang Chang-hui, during the past few days to ascertain China's policy and to hear reports on the developments in the Indo-China situation, a message to the Sinwanpao states.

The Soviet Ambassador is also reported in Chungking to have broached other questions with the Chinese Foreign Ministry.

AXIS EMBASSIES' DENIAL

SHANGHAI, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—The local Italian and German Embassies issued a joint statement yesterday denying reports that Italian and German military missions are now conducting an inspection tour in Indo-China, the Sinwanpao says.

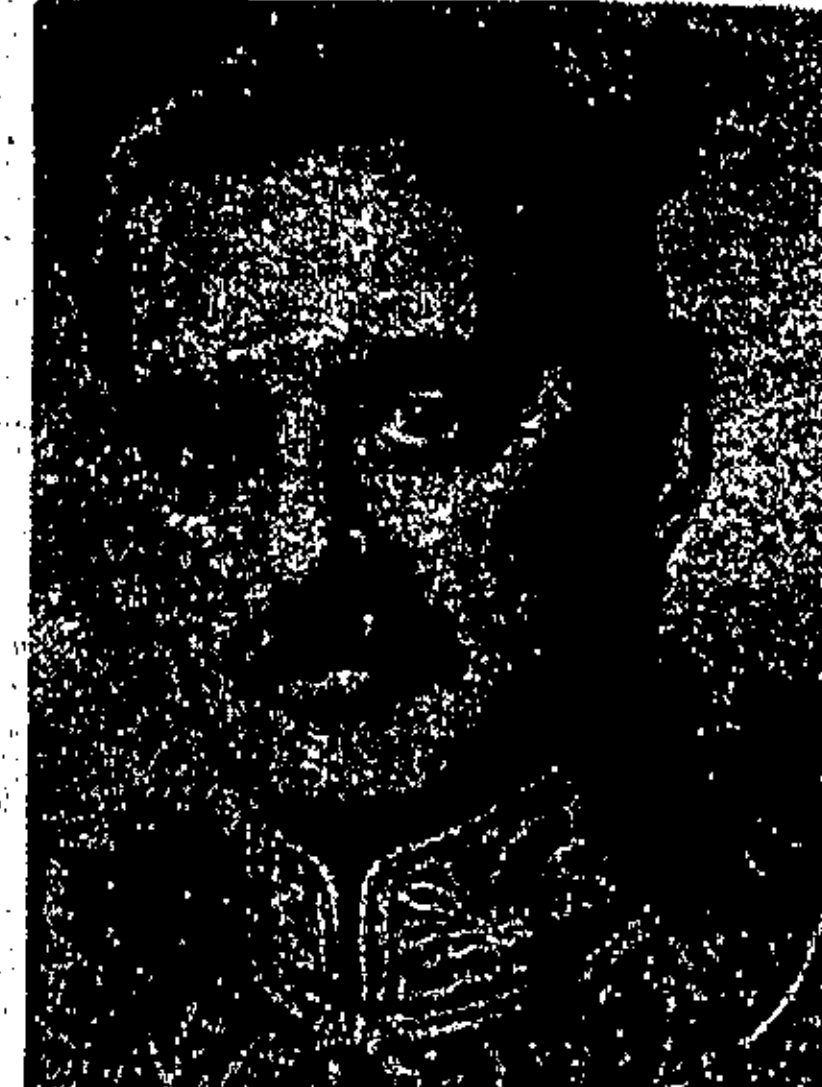
ROOSEVELT SUPREME DETERMINED TO KEEP WAR FROM U.S. SHORES

WASHINGTON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—"I HATE WAR MORE THAN EVER AND AM SUPREMELY DETERMINED TO DO ALL I CAN TO KEEP WAR AWAY FROM THESE SHORES FOR ALL TIME," declared President Roosevelt addressing the Trade Union Convention. "I stand upon the Democratic Party platform adopted in Chicago. We won't participate in foreign wars and we won't send our army, navy or air force to fight abroad, except in case of attack."

"Let us have an end to the sort of appeasement which seeks to keep us helpless by playing on fear. Appeasement is a polite word for misdirected partisanship."

Strongest Preparedness Is Best Defence

"The American people have known that against the raging forces loose in the world the best defence is strongest preparedness." The remainder of the President's speech was devoted to a political address to Labour in which he promised continued support of organized labour and increasing improvement in labour standards and social security. The speech was substantially a major campaign appeal to organized labour to continue to support him.



MR. CHAMBERLAIN

CHAMBERLAIN AT PALACE

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, Lord President of the Council, who recently returned to his duties after his illness was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace yesterday, states a British Wireless message.

Emergency Centres For Raid Victims

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—Parents of London school children are urged to register their children for immediate evacuation. It is officially stated that parties will be leaving frequently and it is added that for refugees who are forced to leave their homes owing to air attack, emergency centres, providing food and shelter, have been arranged in London and all large towns.

BOMB FALLS IN NEWSPAPER OFFICE

LONDON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—A bomb fell in the offices of a London newspaper and crashed through a 15,000-gallon water tank on the roof to the basement. There were no casualties. Two watchers on the roof, hearing the scream of the descending missile, dashed to a sandbagged shelter and were not injured.

170 BRITISH CHILDREN IN WELLINGTON

WELLINGTON, SEPT. 12 (REUTER).—A party of 170 British children has arrived after an uneventful voyage. They will be mostly staying with relatives and friends.

WAR-TIME H.C.L. ALLOWANCE IS DISCUSSED

The question of granting a war-time high cost of living allowance to certain lower grades of the Government service, was the Hongkong Daily Press understands, discussed at a private meeting of members of the Finance Committee yesterday afternoon immediately after the Legislative Council meeting.

A census of the same animals in the larger stencic and recreational parks is not practicable owing to the extensive areas over which they roam; but an estimate of the animals in fenced enclosures in the national parks at the end of the fiscal year discloses a total of 180 bharal, 575 elk, 118 moose,

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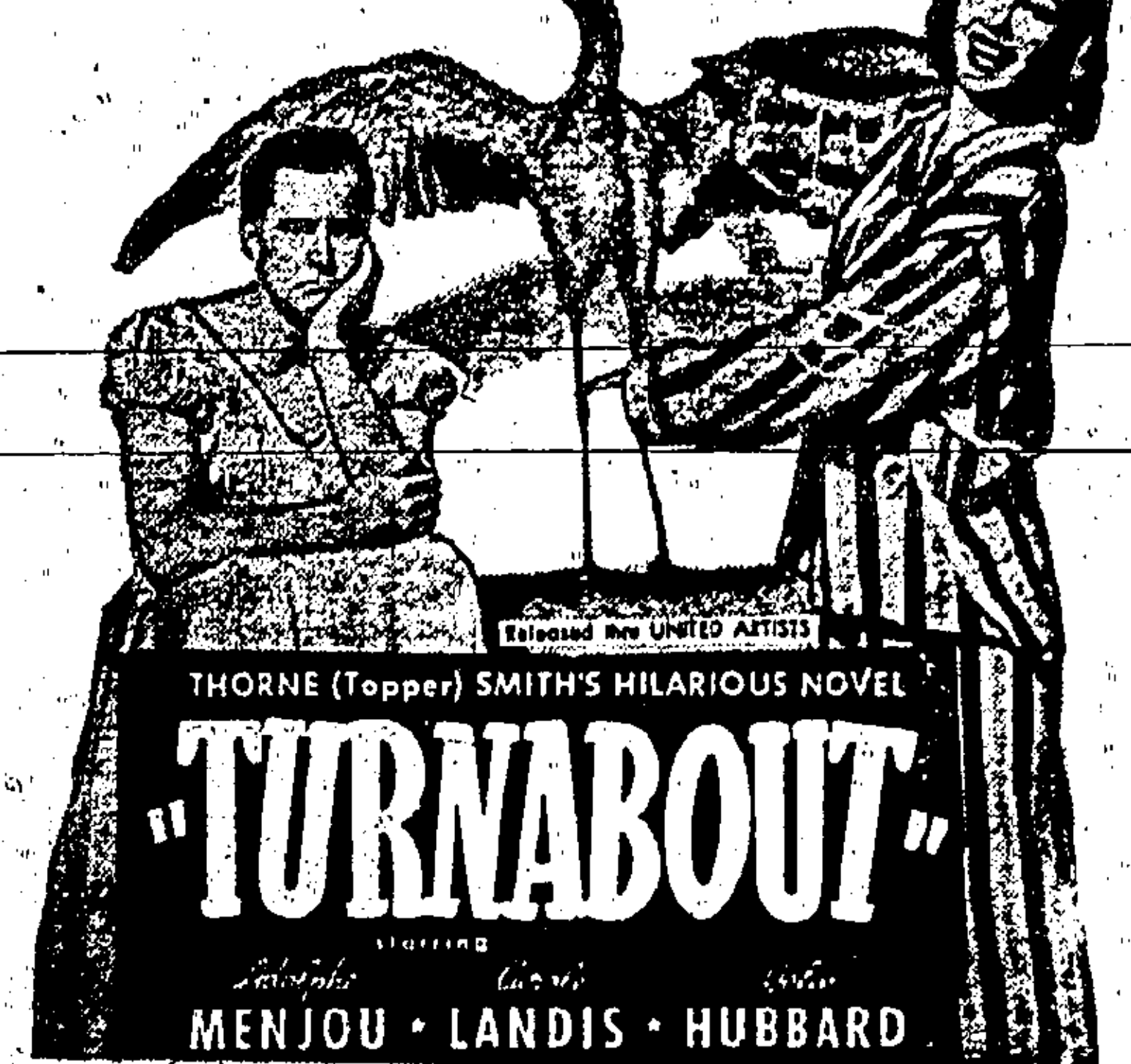
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THE STORK'S GONE HAYWIRE



SUN. MON. : "ADVENTURE IN DIAMONDS"
 George Brent, Isa Miranda, John Loder, Nigel Bruce.

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• TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW •

A killer beats him to the draw!...A bandit steals his name!...
 A jealous senorita has him at her mercy!...but he lives to laugh at them all!



SUNDAY : "THE LAW OF THE WILD"
 Rex, Rin, Tin in
 MASCOT Picture

NEW TERRITORY MED. RELIEF

The return of the New Territory Fanling, 65 cases at Takwuling Relief Association show that during the month of August 12,540 cases were treated of which 5,020 were new cases. In the same period 100 malaria cases were treated at Kam Tin, 278 cases at Tsuen Wan, 187 cases at

COMING EVENTS

SEPT.
 13—Tides: High 6.55 a.m. and 8.57 p.m. Low 12.14 a.m. and 1.41 p.m. Sunrise: 6.09 a.m.; Sunset: 6.59 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House: 9 a.m.—12 noon. Chess-Club: Darts and Table Tennis. A.R.P. Lectures for House-Boys on Peak at Peak Club, 2.30 p.m. European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Championships. Volunteer Nursing Detachment. First Aid Lecture, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m. Christ Church Vicarage: Bridge Drive, 8.30 p.m.
 14—Tides: High 7.47 a.m. and 9.04 p.m. Low 1.09 a.m. and 2.15 p.m. Sunrise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.58 p.m. Claims against estate of Frank Malcolm Lane Crawford due. Kowloon Cricket Club—Stage Supper and Smoking Concert, 9 p.m. St. Teresa's Hospital to be opened by the Vicar apostolic of Hongkong, the Rt. Rev. R. Valoria, 4 p.m. Entries close Swimming Championships. H.E. the Acting Governor to dine with the Hon. the Colonial Secretary and Mrs. N. L. Smith, 8.15 p.m. Launch Picnic for Seafarers, 2.30 p.m.
 15—Tides: High 8.34 a.m. and 9.27 p.m. Low 1.56 a.m. and 2.44 a.m. Sunrise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.57 p.m. Macao Jockey Club's September Race Meeting. Courts due to John Harvey Roberts due. Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m. Launch Picnic for Seafarers, 2.30 p.m.
 16—Tides: High 9.14 a.m. and 9.49 p.m. Low 2.37 a.m. and 3.15 p.m. Sunrise: 6.10 a.m.; Sunset: 6.56 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Meeting of All Cricket Clubs, Urban Council Chamber, 5.15 p.m. China Underwriters Ltd., call on shares payable. Swimming Championship Heats at V.R.C. Criminal Sessions Open, 10 a.m.
 18—Tides: High 10.24 a.m. and 10.27 p.m. Low 3.55 a.m. and 4.14 p.m. Sunrise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.54 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Swimming: Championship Heats at V.R.C. Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, Annual Meeting, Club House, Kellie Island, 5.45 p.m.
 19—Tides: High 10.54 a.m. and 10.44 p.m. Low 4.35 a.m. and 4.43 p.m. Sunrise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.53 p.m. H.K. Y.M.C.A. Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. Swimming Championship Heats at V.R.C. H.K. Hockey Assn. Annual Meeting, St. Andrew's Hall, 6 p.m. Entries close for South China A.A. Swimming Championships, 7.30 p.m.
 20—Tides: High 11.25 a.m. and 11.04 p.m. Low 5.14 a.m. and 5.09 p.m. Sunrise: 6.11 a.m.; Sunset: 6.52 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). H.K. Jockey Club's Seventh Extra Race Meeting at Happy Valley, 2 p.m. South China A.A. Swimming Championships, 2.30 p.m.
 22—Tides: High 12.37 p.m. Low 6.42 a.m. and 5.42 p.m. Sunrise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.20 p.m. Y.M.C.A. Discussion Group, 9 p.m.
 23—Tides: High 12.02 a.m. and 1.40 p.m. Low 7.38 a.m. and 5.54 p.m. Sunrise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.19 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. St. Andrew's Club annual mtg., 9 p.m. St. Andrew's Fellowship Weekly Meeting, Church Hall, 6.15 p.m. Speaker: Mr. Gordon Gardiner on "Should We Pray For Victory."
 24—Tides: High 12.47 a.m. and 3.17 p.m. Low 8.55 a.m. and 6.08 p.m. Sunrise: 6.12 a.m.; Sunset: 6.13 p.m. H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. Ladies' Golf—Autumn Meeting and "Tomstone" Competition. South China A.A. Swimming Championships, 7.30 p.m.
 25—Tides: High 1.41 a.m. and 5.27 p.m. Low 10.26 a.m. and 6.33 p.m. Sunrise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.17 p.m. Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Colony Swimming Championships, 6.15 p.m. Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co. Ltd., Interim Dividend payable.
 26—Tides: High 2.59 a.m. and 6.35 p.m. Low 11.34 a.m. and 8.38 p.m. Sunrise: 6.13 a.m.; Sunset: 6.16 p.m. Entries close for Hongkong Jockey Club's Eighth Extra Race Meeting, 12 noon. H.K. Y.M.C.A. Club Tiffin Meeting, 1 p.m. Colony Swimming Championships, 6.15 p.m. South China A.A. Swimming Championships, 7.15 p.m.
 27—Tides: High 4.26 a.m. and 6.57 p.m. Low 12.23 a.m. and 11.34 p.m. Sunrise: 6.14 a.m.; Sunset: 6.15 p.m. R.A.O.C. Monthly Dinner—Speaker, Mr. D. B. Evans "Measurement of Distant Sounds." Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.F.). Govt. House, 9 a.m.—12 noon. Colony Swimming Championships, 6.15 p.m. South China A.A. Swimming Championships, 7.15 p.m. Vocal Recital at Peninsula Hotel, 8.15 p.m.
 28—Tides: High 5.42 a.m. and 7.27 p.m. Low 1.06 p.m. Sunrise: 6.14 a.m.; Sunset: 6.14 p.m. Birthday of Confucius. Colony Swimming Championships, 9.30 p.m.

Radio Programmes

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"THE BEGGAR'S OPERA"

BY JOHN GAY
 "World Affairs"
 12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.
 12.30 Cesar Franck—Sonata in A Major.
 Alfred Cortot (Piano) and Jacques Thibaud (Violin).
 1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
 1.03 Billy Cotton and His Band in Dance Music.
 Fox-Trot—Don't Let That Moon Get Away (from "Sing you sinners"). Comedy Waltz—I Ups to Her and She Ups to Me. Fox-Trots—Everybody Kiss Your Partner; Counting Crotchets in My Sleep. Waltzes—The Umbrella Man, from "The Foolish Things"; Where The Shannon Flows Down to the Sea. Fox-Trots—The Masquerade Is Over; The Birthday of the Little Princess. Fox-Trot—Squibs (from the film).
 1.30 Renter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
 1.45 Variety Programme.
 Vocal—One Night of Love (from the film); When The Robin Sings His Song Again (Parish and Coots); Grace Fields with Orchestra. Two Planos—"The Great Ziegfeld" Fox-Trot Medley—The Keyboarders with Drums. Vocal—Twilight On The Trail (film "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine"); Riding The Range In The Sky (Harry Carlton)—Wilfrid Thomas (Baritone). Comedienne—Your Dog's Come Home Again (Harrington). Grace Fields Orch.—Vienna In Springtime (Folies and Others); Your Heart Called Mine (Edgar & Others)—Campbell and His Marimba Tango Orch.
 2.15: Close down.
 5.00 Geraldo and His Orchestra.
 Gerald's Lightning Hit Switch. El Relicario (Padilla); La Violetera (film "City Lights"); Accordion Nights—Medley; Deep Purple (Parish and De Rosa).
 6.25 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
 6.30 An hour of Popular Classics.
 Toccata and Fugue (Bach)—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. Om-Ma-Fu (Xerxes)—Handel)—Seminole Gigg (Toscani with Orch. and Organ). Liebestraum No. 3 (Liszt)—Arthur Rubinstein (Piano). Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2 (Liszt)—Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra. Grand Studies (Chopin, Op. 10); Etude No. 5 in G flat major ("Black Key"); Etude No. 6 in E flat minor—Kerstel (Piano). Even Bravest Heart (Baritone) with Orch. Londonderry Air (arr. Kreisler). Fritz Kreisler (Violin) with Piano. Solveig's Song (Peer Gynt)—Grieg)—Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Piano. Brahms' Waltzes—Symphony Orchestra. The Two Grenadiers (Schumann)—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Orch. Trau'raumel (Schumann)—Edwin H. Lemare (Organ).
 7.30 London Relay—The News.
 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
 8.03 Variety with Jack Buchanan, Cicely Courtneidge and Others.
 Vocal—So Green (film "That's a Good Girl"); Ool Lal Lal (film "That's a Good Girl")—Jack Buchanan with Orchestra. Comedienne—If I Had Napoleon's Hat (film "Aunt Sally"); We'll All Go Riding On A Rainbow (film "Aunt Sally")—Cicely Courtneidge with Orchestra. Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. R. 22—Intro: Shoe Shine Boy; When I'm With You: Somebody Stole My Gal; Take My Heart; etc.—Charlie Kunz with Rhythm Accomp. Humorous Sketch—Sandy the Farmer (Wise)—Sandy Powell and Company. Vocal—Let's Put Some People To Work; I'm Still Dreaming (both from film "When Knights were Bold")—Jack Buchanan with Orchestra. Organ—I Want To Be Snappy—Medley—Sidney Torch. Duets—Birdie Out of a Cage; I Was Anything But Sentimental (both from film "Take my Tip")—Cicely Courtneidge and Jack Hubbert. Orch.—Hot Pie—Medley—Intro: I Got Rhythm; China Boy; Alice Blue Gown; Hot Lips; Aunt Hagar's Blues; Am I Blue—The Six Swingers. Comedians—Sending Out

SHORT WAVE

DAVENTRY
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NEWS IN ENGLISH
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 Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.
 Trans. II & III—News Summary 6.45 p.m.
 Full Bulletin 7.30 p.m.
 do 9.15 p.m.
 do 12.00 mid-night
 Transmission V—News Summary 7.30 a.m.
 Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

"LITTLE OLD NEW YORK"
 Absorbing Film Of Double Romance
 Darryl F. Zanuck and Director Henry King, the combination that gave screen fans such films as "In Old Chicago," "Stanley and Livingstone," "Alexander's Ragtime Band" and "Jesse James," have turned out another smash hit in Zanuck's production of "Little Old New York." This robust rollicking, romantic drama from 20th Century-Fox opens tomorrow at the Majestic Theatre with Alice Faye, Fred MacMurray, Richard Greene and Brenda Joyce heading a brilliant cast which includes Andy Devine, Henry Stephenson and Fritz Feld.
 Although "Little Old New York" deals basically with the drama of the first steamboat, the "Clermont," the historical aspects are overshadowed by the absorbing double romance, with Fred MacMurray making his bid for love as the rough-hearted, shipbuilder admiral of Miss Faye.
 From a production standpoint "Little Old New York" is almost without parallel. The sets are gigantic. The producers have actually rebuilt the whole lower part of New York as it was in 1807. Every element of good film fare is present, from fist fights and weddings, ships afire, robust romance, to dancing and song.

Korean Volunteers In Kweiyang

KWEIYANG, Sept. 11 (Central)—More than 30 Koreans, belonging to the Third Korean Volunteer Corps, have arrived here from Kiangsi en route to Chungking. They are under the leadership of Ch'ing Sh'ih-tan.

STAR THEATRE

HAN T'OW ROAD, KOWLOON, DAILY AT 2.30-5.20-7.20-9.20 TEL 57795

• TO-DAY ONLY •

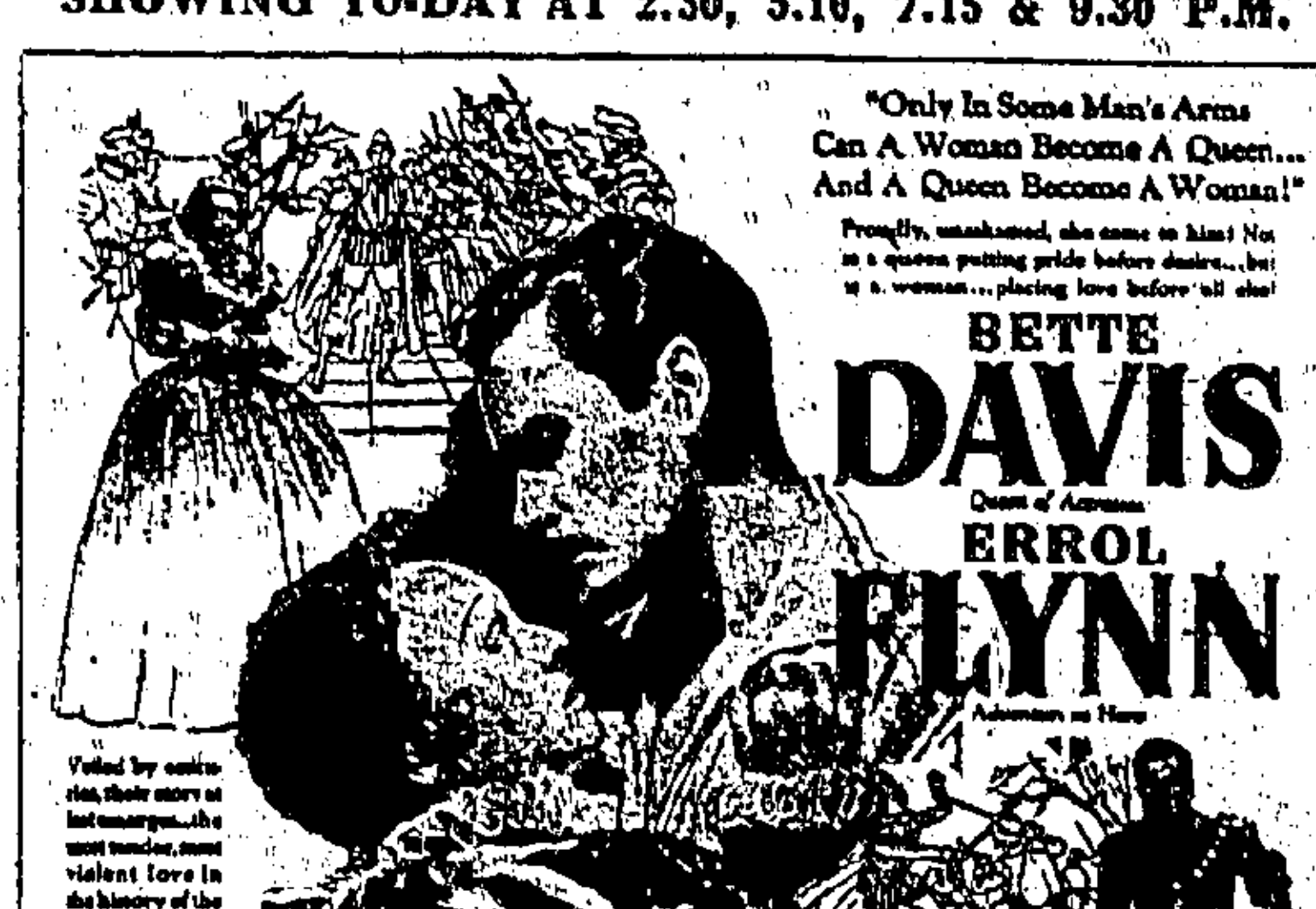
THE TEXAS RANGERS
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• TO-MORROW •

CHARLES LAUGHTON in "THE BEACHCOMBER"

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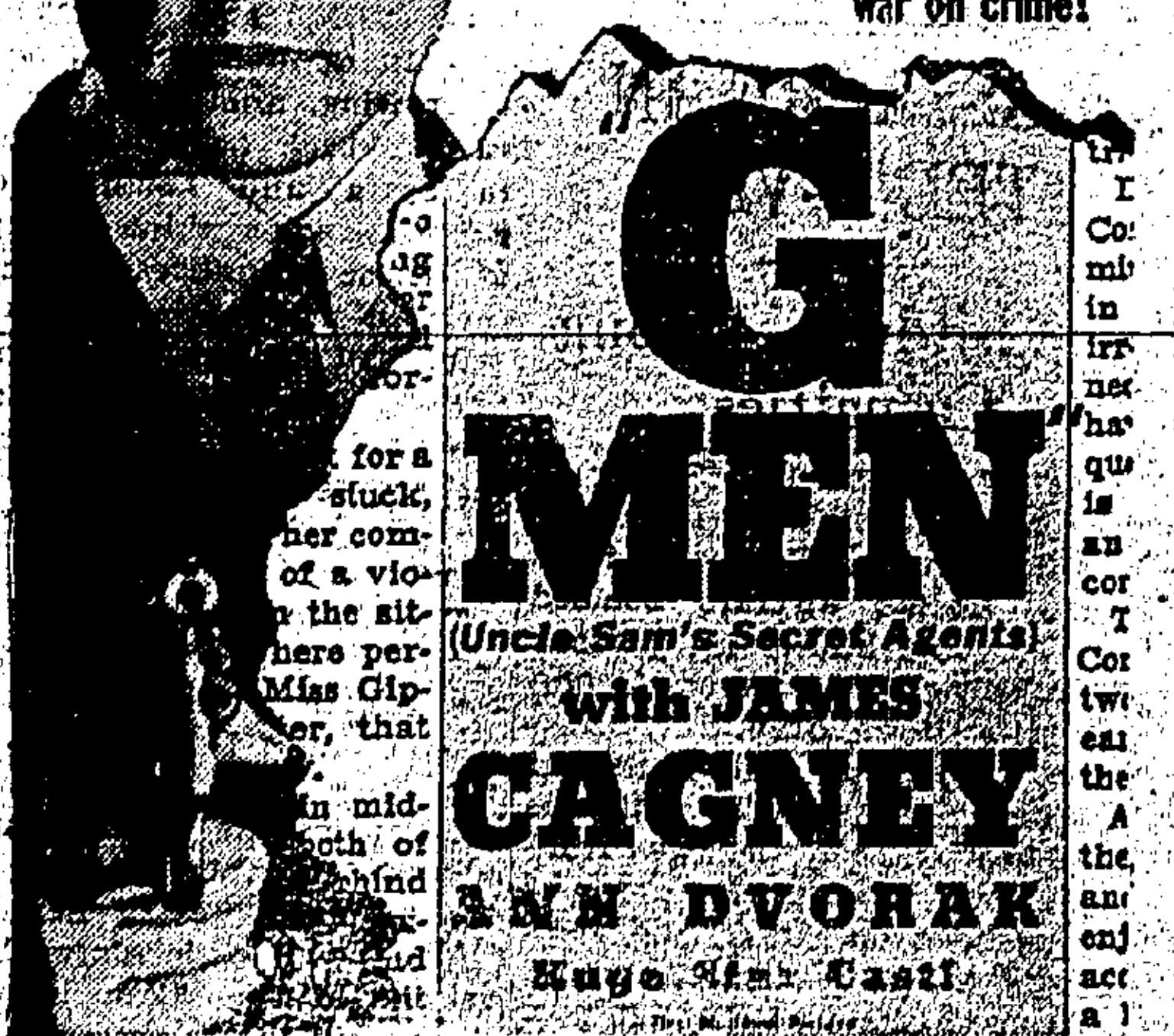
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CHARLIE CHAPLIN'S NEW FILM ON DICTATORS

The same kind of secrecy with which Europe's dictators hide their moves has been thrown about Charlie Chaplin's new movie, a travesty on one-man government. Charlie's moustache made it mandatory that he take the Hitler role himself.

Jack Oakie reportedly portrays Hitler under the name Benito Napoleon, and Billy Gilbert is said to play Herman Goering. Chaplin has allowed no pictures to leak out, but any resemblance to characters living in Europe is entirely intentional!

DOUBTS DISPELLED

Charlie Chaplin very recently dispelled any doubt that he plans to release his movie burlesque on European dictators by signing Meredith Willson to compose the prearrangement, and score for the production.

The picture, yet to be named and tentatively titled Production No. 6, has been nearly completed for several weeks, but rapid changes in the international scene as a result of Adolf Hitler's successes had given rise to reports Chaplin would not release the travesty.

PRIVATE SHOWING

Willson, nationally prominent composer and conductor, will attend a private showing of the film and start work at once on orchestrations and scores. He estimated they would require approximately six weeks.

A few months ago, prior to the conquest of France and the Lowlands, Chaplin was reported to be seeking—seriously, his friends said—a private preview for the production, with an audience consisting only of Herr Hitler!

MASSACRE IN TEL-A-VIV

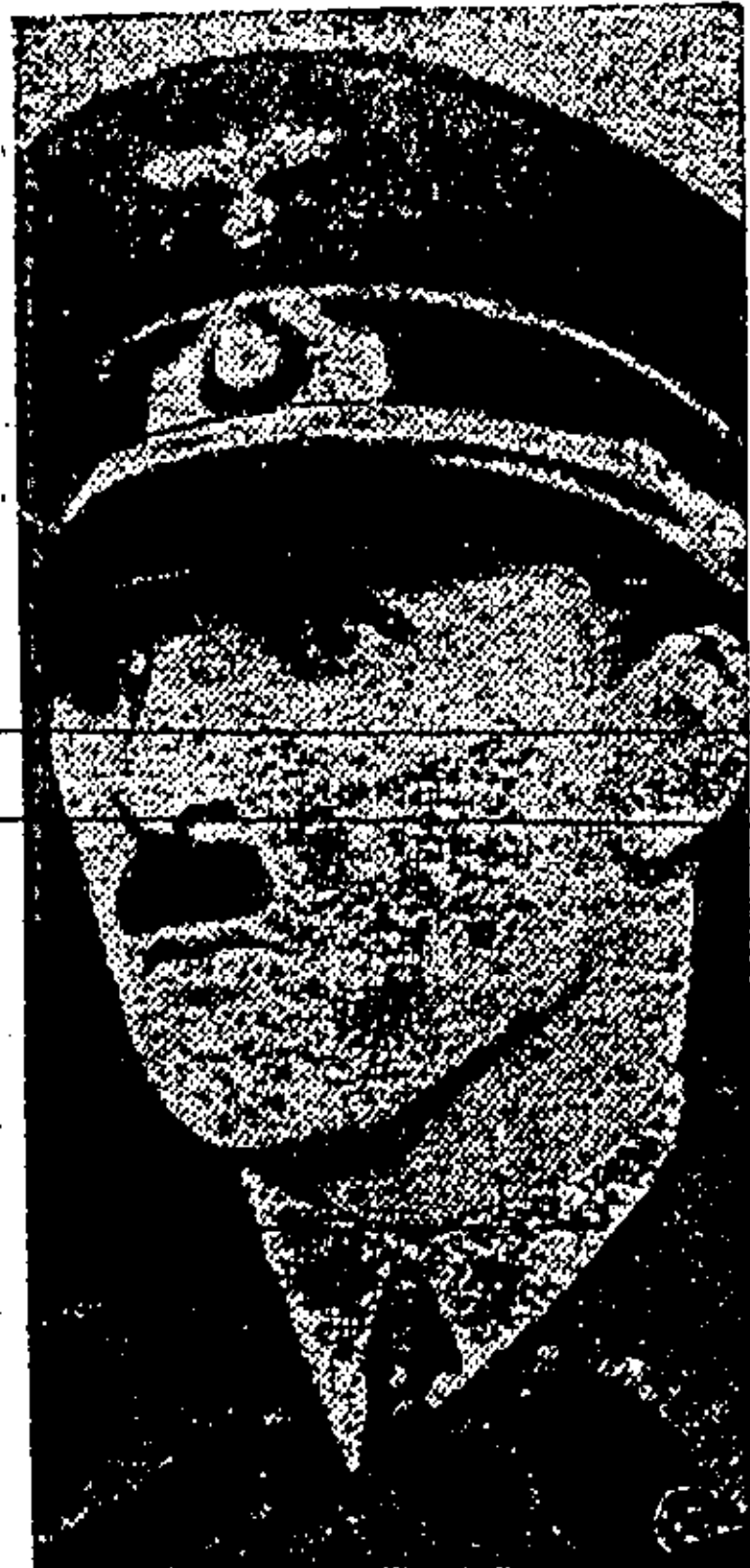
55 Children Among Casualties

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—There are no military objectives for miles around Tel-a-viv, it is learned. Italian aircraft bombed it on Monday, killing 111 persons and injuring 151 more. Among them were 55 children.

Since Abyssinia fell, Mussolini has been unremitting in his efforts to woo the Arabs away from the British. His present use of Nazi methods on Arabs and Jews alike, will hardly be likely to cause the Arabs to change their minds, especially since Rome Radio has claimed that Jaffa and not Tel-a-viv was bombed.

CASUALTY LIST

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The casualty list for Monday's raid on Tel-a-viv is: killed, 104 Jews, and seven Arabs; injured, four British, 145 Jews and two Arabs. In Kenya all is quiet.



Charlie Chaplin as Adolf Hitler.

CAIRO COMMUNIQUE

CAIRO, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Yesterday Mersa Matruh, in Egypt, was raided by enemy aircraft, causing one casualty and no damage.

In the Sudan, Khartoum was bombed with no damage or casualties.

GROWING IN SYRIA

ITALIAN COLONEL IS MOBBED

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Most opinion against the Axis is growing, another straw on the camel's back being the banning in Syria and Lebanon of the Egyptian press which the peoples of those countries depend for their interpretation of news.

It is understood that the French authorities in Syria and Lebanon banned the papers at the request of the Italian Armistice Commission which is now there.

The Cairo paper Al-Misri reports growing discontent with the Italian Armistice Commission in Syria and Lebanon and says that an Italian Colonel, who is a member of the Commission, was attacked by a crowd in one of the main squares of Beyrouth.

The populace is alarmed by the actions of the Commission, actions which suggest that the Italians would attempt to occupy Syria by force after the French have been demobilised.

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

General De Larmat, General De Gaulle's representative in Africa, has appealed to the French in Syria to align themselves with De Gaulle as being their only

DUTCH EAST INDIES ARE BETTER DEFENDED THAN IS GENERALLY THOUGHT

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., AUG. 27.—THE NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES ARE PROBABLY IN A MUCH STRONGER POSITION FOR SELF-DEFENCE FROM FOREIGN ATTACK AND INVASION THAN IS GENERALLY THOUGHT, according to a survey recently completed by the Institute of Pacific Relations.

While official figures on the strength of the Indies defenses have been veiled in secrecy since 1935, unofficial sources place the strength of her naval defense at one battleship, three cruisers, eight destroyers, 18 submarines and 42 torpedo boats, the survey reported.

NAVAL AUTHORITIES have long regarded the submarine as the best means of naval defense for small countries which cannot indulge in large navies and the number which the Netherlands Indies are now known to possess would undoubtedly play an important role not only against any naval attack on the islands but especially against transports trying to land military expeditions.

LIMITED PORTS

As the islands have only a limited number of ports at which such debarkation could take place, the potential striking power of the Indies submarine fleet is greater than might otherwise be the case. An unusual feature of the Indies destroyers and minelayers, the survey found, is that they are equipped to carry planes.

A plentiful supply of aviation fuel has been assured by the construction of two high-octane aviation gasoline plants.

WELL EQUIPPED

The Netherlands Indies are well equipped from the standpoint of aerial defense and for the bombing of attacking ships, the survey reported.

The air force includes Martin bombers, Koolhovens, Fokkers, and German Dorniers. Several excellent military bases and numerous secret airfields have been built in the jungles of the archipelago. Ground defense crews are equipped with Vickers anti-aircraft guns.

The survey also found that, while during the early years of the Netherlands East Indies effort to build up her defenses, a large part of her airplanes were purchased in European centers, the Indies government has more recently been making increased purchases from the United States. In 1938, out of a total of 104 planes imported into the Indies, 86 came from the United States.

ADDITIONAL PLANES

The Volksraad (People's Council) recently voted to purchase an additional 250 bombing planes.

Prior to the invasion of the mother country, the Netherlands Indies army numbered 50,000. Since then steady recruiting has been under way.

The survey found that while the Netherlands Indies in the past counted largely on the mother country for defense, it had in recent years followed a policy of being largely self-dependent, and complete organization has been effected to that end.

SHIPPING REGULATION

Measures taken include the creation of a state mobilization council; a department of economic affairs which will regulate shipping in case of war and insure the

chance to avoid occupation by the Axis Powers.

The Italian Commission, he says, is trying to use pressure to have the French Air Force taken away which would immediately lay the territory open to air attacks from Dodecanese and an invasion by land forces.

Concluding, he said the Italians want occupation of all aerodromes, total demobilisation of the Army and repatriation of all men.

BERLIN RAIDER IN SEA

CREW RESCUED BY LAUNCH

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—After spending 12 hours in a sea so rough that the rescue launch missed them at 50 yards, the crew of an R.A.F. heavy bomber, which had taken part in a raid on Berlin, was finally spotted by a flying-boat which, by repeated diving, guided the launch to the rescue.

The bomber had been damaged when diving through heavy anti-aircraft fire and ran out of petrol before it could reach its home base.

The crew of four took to the rubber dinghy and they are all unharmed.

LONDON MAYORS MEET

Relief Of Air Raid Victims Discussed

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The various Mayors of London met at Mansion House on Wednesday to discuss with the Lord Mayor the fund he is opening to relieve people who have suffered worse in the recent raids.

The Lord Mayor of Melbourne has opened a similar fund and Australians are contributing more freely than they have ever done before.

If there is any need for cash or additional supplies they are available immediately, says a cablegram just received from Mr. Norman Davis, Chairman of the American Red Cross.

The American Red Cross has cabled money for 98 mobile canteens and has offered to send large quantities of hospital beds and other equipment.

VICEROY'S GIFT

SIMLA, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The Viceroy has cabled £35,500 from his War Purposes Fund to the Lord Mayor of London for the relief of London air raid victims.

ITALY DETAINS PRINCE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The Stefani agency, denying American reports of the arrest of a large number of Italian personalities, says that the Italian Prince Filippo Borja Pamphili has been interned and another Prince Alessandro Torlonia has been interrogated by the Police but not detained.

The interned Prince is described as a "well-known defeatist and anti-Fascist."

Brave Speech By Churchill

WASHINGTON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Churchill's brave fighting speech last night is warmly welcomed here, where many hearts have gone out across the ocean in sympathy with the people of London on the ordeal they are enduring.

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—"We can promise the enemy something to go on with if he tries to come across in surface craft," said Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty, in a London speech yesterday.

While nobody here expects the British morale to crack, many who listened to Mr. Churchill were glad to hear his level tones. His words underlined all that American correspondents have been telegraphing about how Britons are carrying on.

Mr. Churchill's confident assertion that Nazi tyranny will be "burned out of Europe" is taken as an indication that the R.A.F. will be increasingly active over Germany.

LONDON CAN TAKE IT!

Months To Demolish Dock Area Alone

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Neutral press correspondents agree that London can take far worse bombing and still hold its head up. Whether or not the German raids have reached their climax it must not be supposed that London is in a state of depression or terror, says the London correspondent of the Swedish paper Dagens Nyheter.

A wounded giant bleeds a little but he is far from gravely injured, reports the correspondent of the Swedish paper Tidningen who says that the damage caused to the docks were small compared with their total area.

It would take months of bombing at the present scale to destroy the dock area alone, he says.

LIGHT BOMBS USED

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—In their recent raids on London, the Germans have been chiefly using light bombs weighing just over 100 lb., although some of 250 lb. have also been dropped. A few weighing 1,000 lb. were dropped in the docks area, but this was an exception.

The general impression is that the German planes are dropping the smaller type of which they can carry more—in order to cause as much inconvenience and fright as possible to civilians and industrial workers.

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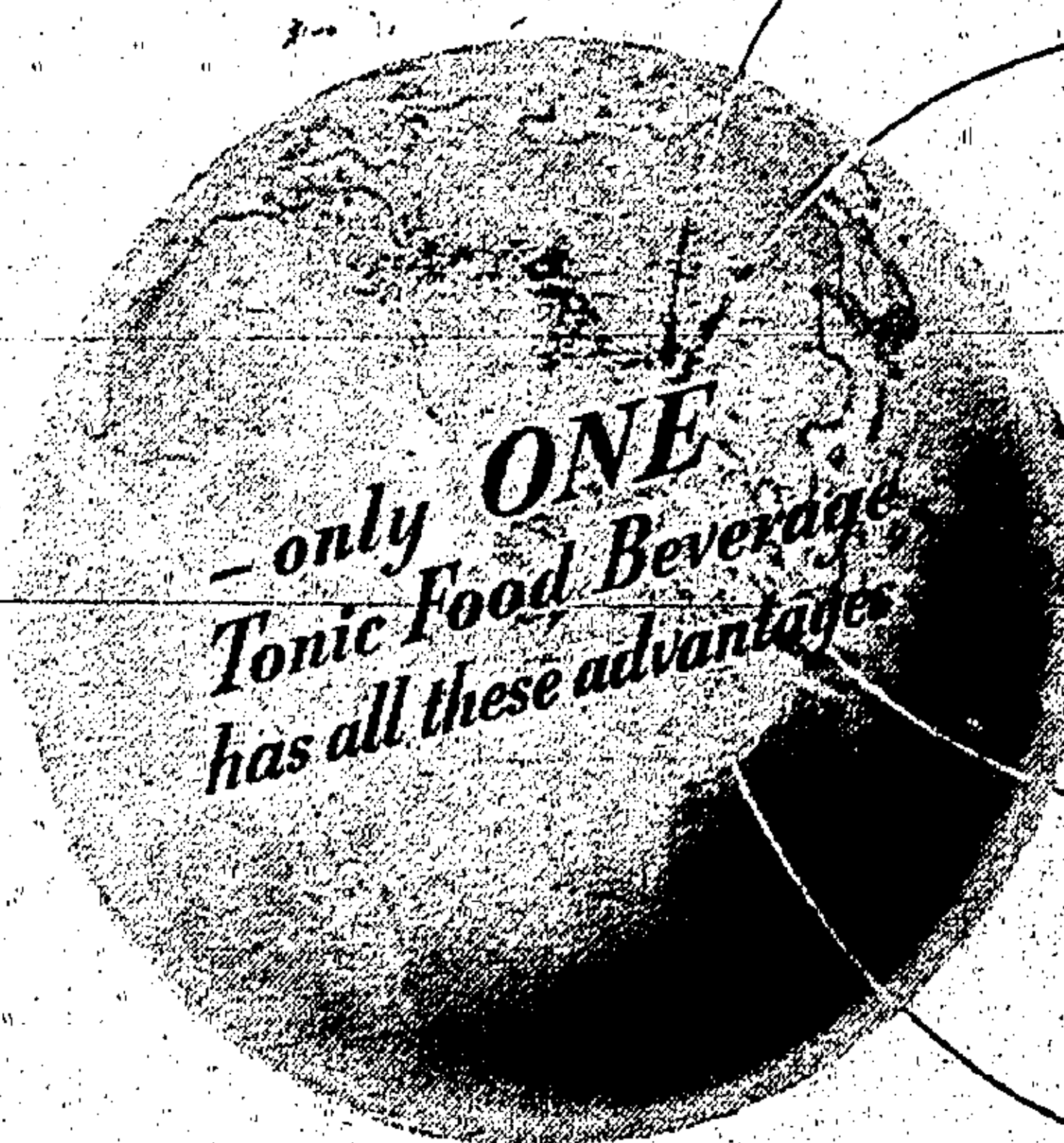
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CLAIM FOR POSSESSION OF SHOP PREMISES IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST

FURTHER EVIDENCE WAS HEARD BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, AT THE SUPREME COURT YESTERDAY in the action brought by Chung Yee-dai, administrator of the estate of the late Chung Man-kin, claiming possession of the shop premises at No. 297, Queen's Road West, now occupied by the Lucn Fong firm.

The statement of claim was that the defendant firm paid \$230 on a monthly tenancy which was terminated on March 31, 1940, and had failed to quit the premises after receiving notice. The plaintiff also claimed mesne profits.

The defence was that in consideration of a monthly rental of \$230 and a loan of \$430, the plaintiff promised the defendants the lease of the premises for two years in March 1940. Alternatively, the defendants sought protection under the Prevention of Eviction Ordinance, and contended that the premises had been partly used as a dwelling house.

Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, was for the plaintiff, while Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. E. C. Hobbs, was for the defence.

AN ORIGINAL FOUNDER

Leung Cheung, a subpoenaed witness for the plaintiff, said that he was one of the original founders of the defendant firm. In 1935 all other partners retired, including himself and the business was left in the hands of two

brothers, Ma Wing-shing and Ma Wing-shu. Witness himself established another firm which was closed down later. He then went to work for the defendant firm until the present time.

He testified that Ma Wing-shu, managing partner of the defendant firm, had been residing at the shop premises until January last when his wife came to Hongkong. Several of Ma's children, however, had their meals in the shop.

At the conclusion of the plaintiff's case, Mr. Potter submitted that there were two issues. One was the question of the two years' lease and the other concerned the Eviction Ordinance.

The defendants first rented the present premises in 1926 when the plaintiff's father was alive. No trouble existed for many years, but as in many cases, trouble did arise when the father died.

The plaintiff approached the defendants to borrow money, and the plaintiff, who had mortgaged the present premises three days after he had obtained Letters of Administration, was just the type of person who would be prepared to grant any offer if he could get the money. When he did borrow \$430, he made the promise that he would not increase the rent for two years.

SECOND ISSUE

Regarding the second issue, the question of the Prevention of Eviction Ordinance, Mr. Potter said that Ma Wing-shu had throughout the time made the shop his home. When his wife was away in the country he lived nowhere except in the shop, and when his wife was in the Colony, he also lived a majority of the time in the firm's premises.

His sons, three of whom were working in the shop, lived there and also his two younger sons and a grand-daughter. They all had their meals on the first floor and his wife used to come to the shop to do the washing.

Continuing, Mr. Potter said that it was an invariable practice that foks of a shop slept on the premises. This was known to all Chinese landlords. The shop could claim the protection of the Prevention of Eviction Ordinance.

Ma Wing-shu, managing partner of the defendant firm, said that both he and his family lived on the shop premises and had their meals there.

NOT RAISE RENT

He testified that in 1938, plaintiff came to him and asked to borrow \$400 to be repaid when he had obtained Letters of Administration for the premises in question. Plaintiff offered his terms that he would not trouble him (witness) or raise the rent for two years. He agreed on the condition and the money was taken in March, 1939, in various sums.

When he took the last amount, plaintiff also requested for a further loan of \$1,000, but witness refused. On the next day, July 6, witness received his first notice to quit.

On February 15, 1939, he paid the plaintiff four months' rent, \$920, but subsequently he received a fourth notice to quit the premises.

Following further evidence, hearing was adjourned to Sept. 25.

SHIP BOARD ROBBERY

Jewellery Valued At £160 Disappears

Jewellery to the total value of £160 3s. was reported to have been stolen from a passenger on board a British liner which arrived in the Colony on Wednesday from Singapore.

In a report to the Police, Mrs. N. D. Wing Field stated that at 5.30 p.m. on Sept. 6 she sent her baggage on board the ship. She boarded the ship and on the following day at 4.30 a.m. she found that seven pieces of jewellery had disappeared.

On her arrival on Wednesday she made a report to the Police.



Signing of the register at the wedding of Mr. Hsiang-hsien Tseng and Dr. (Miss) Irene Ho Tung.—(King's Studio).

ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

AT CENTRAL

FORGED BANKNOTES

A 23-year-old woman, Wong Wun-mau, alias Wong Wal-ha, was charged before Mr. G. T. Lowry yesterday with possession of forged banknotes.

She was alleged to have in her possession at the Wing Lok Wharf, Connaught Road West, on Sept. 10, 200 forged banknotes purporting to be \$10 notes of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

On the application of Det. Sub-Insps. Goodwin, Wong was remanded 48 hours in Police custody.

\$15 FOR POOR BOX

Twenty-six persons, charged with keeping a common gaming house and with gambling, failed to appear in Court yesterday and had their balls estrated by Mr. Lowry.

Chan Shing, 50, unemployed, and Leung Shek-ping, woman, who were alleged to have kept the third floor of No. 14, Wyndham Street as a gaming house, had their ball of \$150 each estrated.

The other 24 persons, who were charged with gambling, were on \$10 bail each.

Det.-Sgt. T. Cashman stated that he had to break open two doors before he could get into the premises. When he got in he saw all the people sitting around a table.

Money picked up from the table amounting to \$15.15, was ordered to be put into the Poor Box.

EUROPEAN CHASED SNATCHER

A remand of 48 hours for medical examination was ordered by Mr. Lowry yesterday when Lo Chuen, 18, unemployed, was found guilty of snatching a gold wrist watch from Miss M. Roza, of No. 10, Somerset Road.

Det.-Sgt. Byron said at about 2.10 p.m. on Sept. 11 Miss Roza was walking along Wyndham Street on her way back to the office. Defendant came from behind and snatched her watch.

Defendant ran away but was arrested by Mr. S. Leonard who was walking behind Miss Roza.

WOMAN BOUND OVER

Appearing on remand before Mr. H. G. Sheldon yesterday Leung Yun, 38, married woman, charged with assaulting a girl under 14 years of age, was bound over in the sum of \$100 to be of good behaviour for one year.

Leung, who resides at No. 485 King's Road, ground floor, was stated to have beaten her daughter, Li Ming, 12 years, with a cane and inflicting on her 45 cane marks, on Sept. 9.

Inspector H. W. Fraser, of the S. C. A., prosecuted.

AT KOWLOON

RATTAN WORKER GAOLED

Fu Chak-kwong, 24, rattan ware worker, was charged before Mr. E. Himsforth yesterday with larceny of \$200 from the person of Lau Piu, 47, tailor shop owner at No. 43, Peking Road.

Fu and another man not in custody came to the shop on September 9 pretending to look around. They saw the complainant's brother put \$200 in a drawer without locking it. While complainant was talking to a customer defendant snatched the money and handed it to his companion who ran away. Defendant was arrested in the shop.

The defendant was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. The money was not recovered.

TYRE NOT UNSERVICEABLE

T. H. G. Brayfield, of Carmichael and Clarke, licensee of car No. 118, was summoned before Mr. Mac-

Ng Cheong, driver of the car, was also summoned for driving a car with an unserviceable tyre. Sub-Insps. Si Wai-wing stated that on Aug. 24 at 9.45 a.m. he saw the car in Nathan Road near Jordan Road and noticed that the canvas of the nearside front tyre was showing.

Witness declared that the tyre could run another 100 miles or so. Brayfield pleaded not guilty to the summons saying that the tyre was not unserviceable, but only smooth. He denied that the canvas was showing. What was visible was only a white layer of rubber. The tyre was produced in Court and his Worship was satisfied that it was not so worn as to be unserviceable.

The summonses were dismissed.

SPEEDING SUMMONS

Major J. M. Officer, of the Combined Military Hospital, was summoned for driving at 30 m.p.h. through a controlled area, Nathan Road, on Aug. 28.

Officer pleaded guilty through a representative and was fined \$5.

GIRLS SENT TO HOME

Two Chinese girls, aged 13 and 14, who were connected with the raid carried out by Miss Phyllis Harrop, Lady Assistant to the S.C.A., and a party of detectives at No. 276 Kilong Street, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen yesterday when Miss Harrop pointed out that should the girls be sent back to their parents they would be resold.

Remarking that they were not to be treated as criminals but the present surroundings were bad for their health, Mr. Macfadyen sent them to the Salvation Army Home for six months.

At the end of that time they will appear again before his Worship when he will consider what is best for them.

ROBBERY NIPPED IN BUD

Before Mr. Himsforth yesterday, Ko Yit-ho, 19, Lau Wah, 41, and Tsor Ng, 40, were charged with conspiracy to rob. The first defendant was additionally charged with possessing a dagger.

It was stated that on September 7 at about 11.30 p.m. a constable saw the three defendants at Kai Yee Road. On seeing the constable the defendants started to run in different directions.

The constable drew out his service revolver and ordered them to halt. They ignored him and continued their flight but the first defendant was caught and a dagger found in his girdle.

Acting on information of first defendant the police arrested the other two defendants. They had conspired to rob the Ha Ka Village.

The first defendant was sentenced to one year in prison on both charges, and the second and third, six and four months, respectively.

MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE

Defendants Remanded One Week

A further remand for the two defendants of one week was requested by Det.-Insp. L. R. Whant at the District Court, South, yesterday, before Mr. S. F. Balfour, when Yau Kun, 33, and Chu Lol, 25, Mine Inspectors of the Hing Kee Mining Company, appeared on a charge of manslaughter.

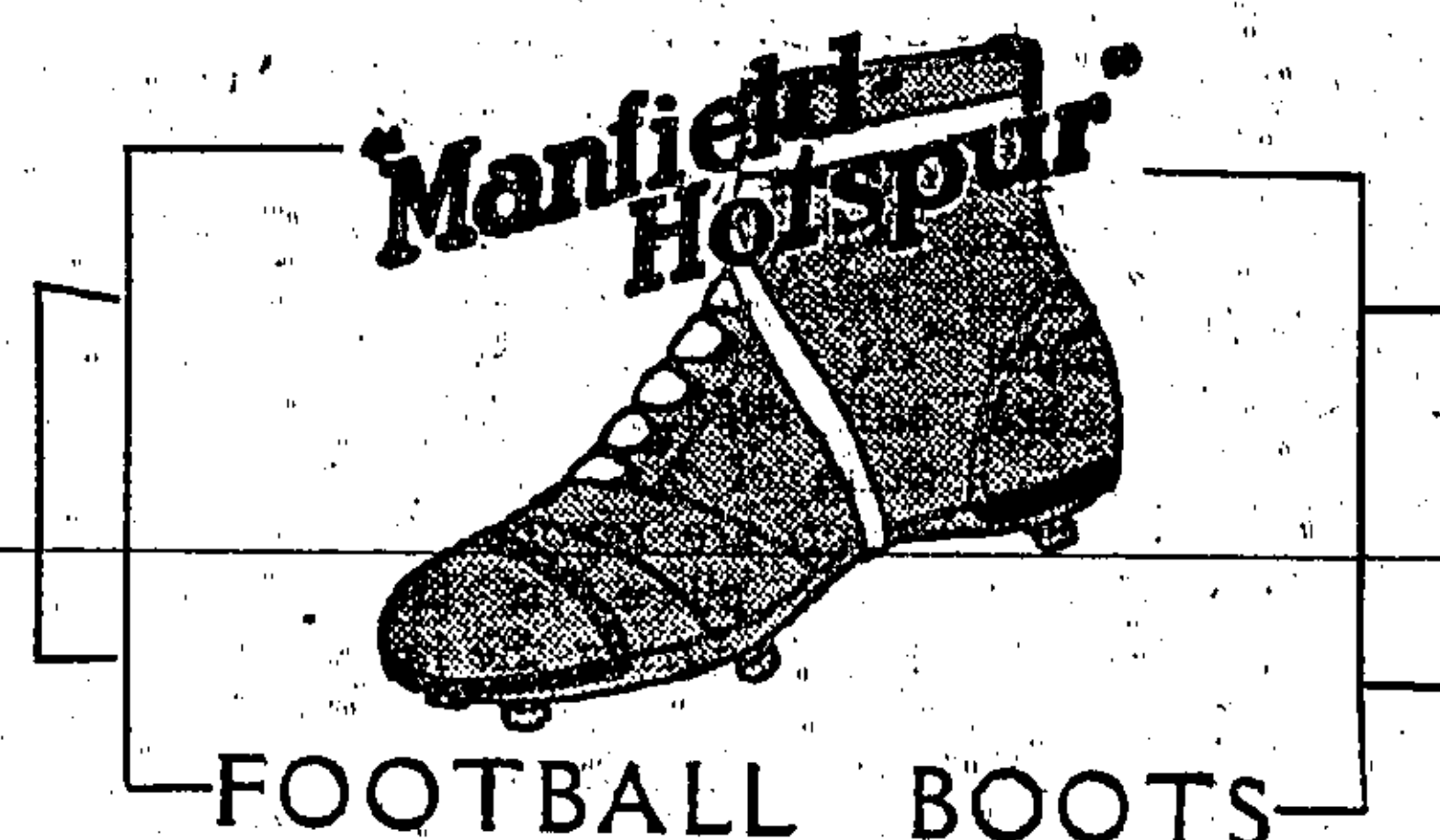
Committal proceedings against defendants, which have been held up by the illness of a principal witness, will be continued on Monday, September 23, from 10 a.m.

The defendants, who are represented by Mr. Alfred Y. Hon, are charged with having unlawfully killed a man named Cheung Hol at Shing Mun, Tsau Wan, on August 18.

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CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Call of \$1.00 per share has been made upon all members holding shares upon which \$6.00 per share only has been already paid, and will be payable on or before the 16th September, 1940 to the Bankers of the Company, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong.

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HERBERT R. STURT,
Managing Director.

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MARSMAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifth Ordinary Meeting of the Shareholders in this Company will be held at the Marsman Building, 122 Market Street, San Francisco, Manila, Philippines, on TUESDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1940, at four o'clock p.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Board of Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 30th April, 1940.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY THE 16TH OF SEPTEMBER to TUESDAY THE 15TH OF OCTOBER, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

MARSMAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED,
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Registrars.

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CARGO, MONEY STOLEN

Over \$3,000 worth of cargo and \$2,000 in Chinese currency belonging to a Chinese junk master, were taken by the Japanese on Monday when a schooner held up a Chinese trading junk near Hongkong.

A police report revealed that the vessel left Shek Po Market on Monday morning with a cargo of poultry, medicines and sea products. When near Lin Tin Island the vessel was attacked by a Japanese schooner, according to Wong Chan-cheung, master of the junk.

DECORATIONS FOR AUSTRALIANS

LONDON, Sept. 12. (Reuter).—Australian naval officers and ratings are included in the list of awards published in a supplement to the London Gazette.

They are in H.M.A.S. Stuart and H.M.A.S. Voyager.

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China Takes No Chances

THE ACTUAL SITUATION

In Indo-China, in connexion with the demands which the Japanese have made on the authorities there, still evades clarification. None of the developments which are reported to have taken place in this French colony during the last few days have been officially confirmed by either of the parties which are stated to be taking part in the "negotiations" and the outside world is left to draw its own conclusions from a maze of conflicting accounts of the position which have emanated from various sources. What ever the actual facts may be, what is most evident is that the French authorities in Indo-China are finding themselves in a most unenviable position. Admiral Decoux, the Governor-General, is at present being torn between two desires—it is incumbent on him to carry out the instructions he receives from Vichy and, at the same time, he has the difficult task of trying to reconcile public opinion in the colony to permit him to accept these orders. From the moment that Japan tried to cajole Indo-China into granting her concessions in that territory, the population has been directly opposed to any tendency of the authorities to accede to these requests. Reports now speak of a meeting of public bodies, at which bitter opposition was voiced against giving way to the Japanese. In view of this attitude, the French authorities have been trying to induce the Japanese to modify their demands, but the agreement now stated to have been reached will hardly prove satisfactory to the majority of those who are determined to resist Japanese entry into the colony.

IN THE MEANTIME, of course, this confused position is having reactions on foreign powers, who feel that it is to their interests to maintain the status quo of the French Colony. America and Britain have already made their attitude very clear on this point both to the Japanese and the French authorities on the spot. The stand taken by the United States and Britain has been reinforced by the recent agreement reached between these two countries to collaborate in all matters affecting their interests in all parts of the world. What is most important, however, is that the Chinese Government, which has very real cause for preventing any concessions being made to Japan in Indo-China, is apparently taking no chances on allowing the present obscure situation from developing to Japan's ultimate advantage. The Chinese authorities recognise the difficult situation with which the Indo-China officials are faced, but they cannot be blamed for believing that the Vichy puppets, with the Nazi mailed fist held over them,

will be compelled to force the administration in Indo-China to submit to the Japanese demands. Unconfirmed reports already credit Admiral Decoux with having come to terms with the Japanese to the extent of not only allowing passage through the country for Japanese troops, but also to granting them permission to use three aerodromes on French soil.

THIS DECISION, if true, must affect the position of the Chinese in Yunnan and will considerably help the Japanese to make a large-scale attack on Kunming and possibly China's war-time capital. The Chinese, however, appear to have been ready for just such a development—and they took the initiative into their own hands to at least cause any such Japanese plans to be delayed. The blowing up of the international bridge at Lao Kai is significant of the Chinese determination to show the Japanese and the French authorities that they will resist any agreement which will adversely affect China's position. A heavy concentration of Chinese troops on the Yunnan-Indo-China border stands vigilant and ready to cross over on to French territory the moment any large Japanese landings take place with the idea of marching through the Colony. The situation must, in view of these developments, be regarded as acute, but the Japanese should realise now that they will not have things their own way if they deliberately attempt to carry out their designs on Indo-China. With the support that China will receive from Britain and America on this important Far Eastern question, Japan will find that her position in the Orient will become more untenable than it is at present. The conflict which will inevitably follow can only result in further disaster for the Japanese, which will setback their political aspirations for a long time.

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The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir—The Boys' and Girls' Clubs Association are holding their annual Swimming Gala on Saturday, Sept. 14, at the V.R.C. baths, which the Chairman and Committee of the V.R.C. have kindly placed at the disposal of the Association for the afternoon.

From 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. there will be various swimming events, both individual and inter-club races, and at 4.30 p.m. there will be massed singing. Rear Admiral A. M. Peters will distribute the prizes at 5 p.m.

The Council of the Association extends a hearty welcome to the people of Hongkong to attend the Gala, which will offer a practical demonstration of the work the Association is doing for the street boys of the Colony.

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Legislative Council

MEETING LASTS FEW MINUTES

Yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, which lasted only eight-and-a-half minutes, was probably the shortest on record.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton, C.B., D.S.O., M.C., presided and the following members were present:—H.E. Maj.-Gen. A. E. Grasett, Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters, Hon. Comdr. G. F. Hole, Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn.

GOEBBELS' ROSE BED SPOILED!

LONDON, Sept. 12. (Reuter).—The Berlin news agency states that a heavy incendiary bomb fell about ten feet from Goebbels' house in Hermann Goering Strasse during Tuesday night's R.A.F. raid on Berlin.

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CHANG PUZZLED MAGICIANS HE MET IN INDIA Performed Own Version Of The Rope Trick

CHANG THE MAGICIAN WHO ARRIVED IN TOWN WITH HIS COMPANY OF 28 ARTISTES A FEW DAYS AGO, is on the home stretch of an extensive world tour that has taken him to four continents.

The mighty Chang left New York some 3½ years ago. He has added to his troupe all the talent he met and could persuade to sign up with him on the way. The company now in Hongkong are ready and raring to go on the stage before local audiences.

Chang himself is quite a mysterious man. A very amiable personality, he recalled old memories of his career as a successful magician when interviewed by the Hongkong Daily Press yesterday.

Minus grease paint and turban and other accoutrements of the trade, he remained an imposing figure as he strolled about the room and fished about here and there for an article, relaxing from the easy way of living that some people with access to magic wands find so difficult to throw off.

A noted man of magic in his own land, he puzzled the magicians he met in India with tricks they could not draw out of their own bag. He added to his extensive baggage a bagful of scrolls, addresses, citations and presents reaped in from his brotherhood in trade in India on his tour there.

DEEP-SEATED INTEREST

Ever ready to learn, possessed of a deep-seated interest in all things pertaining to magic, Chang searched over the length and breadth of India for an authentic performance of the Indian rope trick.

He never found it. Before leaving the country, however, he gave a performance of his own version of the trick. This was acclaimed from all ends and he left the peninsula of India a magician in good standing with all the local fraternity.

The Madras Magical Society, probably the oldest such society in the world, presented him with an illuminated scroll. The Indian Society of Magicians in Bombay presented him with an Arabian good luck ring. It is a huge ring and made a massive stone that is supposed to change colour with every year.

MAORIS IMPRESSED

Chang's tour has so far included Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Portugal, North Africa, India and Burma. He was never as much impressed with any of the numerous peoples he came across in his journeys than with the Maoris of New Zealand.

A student of magic always, he delved into the books he could find on Maori history and customs. The Maori magic cult, he found, was one of the oldest in the world. Though the practice of magic has been gradually discontinued with the advent of modern times, it had been distinguished for its originality and extent of learning.

The Maoris, Chang is almost sure, are related to the Chinese. He learnt his own trade, he told us, from his father, who though a professional in his time was only a part-time magician while also quite a successful businessman in New York, an importer of Chinese delicacies and foods.

He never meant to be a magician himself. It just so happened that he delved into a bagful of tricks and became entangled in them. He was so fascinated with what he could learn that he has never stopped learning since.

SECOND VISIT

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He was 15 years old when he visited his native land the first time. He went up to a place then known as Sing Ling, near Canton. But that was a long time ago.

What does Chang do with his spare time? He follows another magic trade. He is an amateur movie fan and films everything interesting he can find. Possessing elaborate equipment, he has recorded thousands of feet of Indian scenes.

What does he think of magicians he has met in foreign countries? He thinks that the best American home product is far in advance of anything he has come across in other parts of the world.

Chang is famed for his 'Magical Revues'. He has succeeded in glamorising magic by elaborate sketches and stage settings for the unfolding of his various star acts. His show is nothing short of a first-class dancing and singing revue.

PLAYED IN ROXY THEATRE

Few artists who visit Hongkong have upon them that mark of greatness conferred by the Roxy Theatre, New York, which is the largest theatre in the world. Chang, famed "Miracle Man," who opens his magical revue at the Queen's Theatre on Tuesday play, ed in this famous theatre on Broadway several years ago with his now famous stage production, the Mystic Musical Revue, "A Trip to Hades."

Chang's father was a famous astrologer and magician. Chang junior was born in America where he received a thorough education. However, after seeing America's great show offerings he decided that by combining the magic of his father's with the glamour of the American stage, he would have something unique in entertainment to offer. He went to New York and organised the spectacular show "A Trip to Hades."

He brings with him to Hongkong the entire original production with the 28 scenes designed and built by Silvio Bermelo, and altogether weighing 180 tons.

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NEWSETTES

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Sir Geoffrey Northcote, Governor

THOUSANDS OF ANTI-AIRCRAFT SHELLS GREET WAVE UPON WAVE OF PLANES ATTACKING LONDON

TRACKS, GOODS VANS DAMAGED AT POTSDAM RLY. STATION

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The German Wireless states that the R. A. F. attacked Berlin during the night and this was confirmed by an Air Ministry communique today which states that R. A. F. bombers arrived over Berlin at 11.30 p.m.

The first bomb was dropped on the German capital at 11.57 on a railway yard at Potsdam Station, damaging tracks and goods vans.

Bombs also fell in the Tiergarten, which is Berlin's Hyde Park, and in northern parts of the city.

Although the German announcer states that the British raiders were kept back by heavy A. A. barrage, he admits that the business centre of the city was attacked and premises set on fire.

GOVERNMENT ENRAGED

NEW YORK, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Defying German threats to raze London if Britain does not stop bombing Berlin, the R. A. F. on Tuesday carried out one of the most violent and most spectacular assaults on the German capital so far, according to reports from London and Berlin to New York papers.

The messages told of British high explosive and incendiary bombs raining on the heart of Berlin and hitting the Reichstag, among other buildings, while the Potsdam railway station was also struck.

The German Government is described as enraged.

MANY FIRES

BERLIN, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The High Command communique states that during the night, British planes again scattered incendiary and explosive bombs on residential districts in several towns in Northern Germany, including Hamburg, Bremen and Berlin. Numerous fires were caused and damage to property and working class dwellings.

Fifteen persons were killed and 41 injured.

LOYAL SUPPORT OF CANADIAN PEOPLE

OTTAWA, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Mr. Mackenzie King, the Premier of Canada, has cabled Mr. Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of Britain, expressing the loyal support of the Canadian people of their pride in standing shoulder to shoulder with Britain in dire emergency.

He added that Canada is redoubling her effort in speeding up production.

AGREEMENT ON TRADE AND PAYMENTS

"MANCHUKUO" AND GERMANY

TOKYO, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The agreement on trade and payments between "Manchukuo" and Germany has been renewed with some modifications, the Foreign Office announced this afternoon.

A communique says: "The Foreign Office has received an official report from the Japanese Ambassador in Berlin as follows: 'Since the termination of the Manchukuo-German Agreement on Trade and Payments on May 31 of this year, the Governments of the two countries have carried on conversations regarding measures to be subsequently taken.'

These conversations have reached an agreement of the views concerning some modifications in the agreement and the extension of the validity of the agreement for another year by making it retroactive as from June 1 of this year."

TERRIFIC DOG-FIGHTS: 73 DESTROYED: BATTLE IS STILL IN PROGRESS

LONDON, Sept. 22 (Reuter).—What appeared to be one of the biggest air battles of the war developed on Tuesday afternoon when a big force of German planes tried to break through to London.

They were met by thousands of anti-aircraft shells and London heard the biggest barrage since the war began. Wave after wave of German bombers thrust at London and terrific dog-fights ensued while bombs dropped.

Reuter's correspondent, describing the scene over the heart of the city, said that planes could be seen twisting and turning at a great height in their efforts to escape the barrage.

Amid the red splashes of exploding shells, the raiders could be glimpsed only for brief moments. All the time, the anti-aircraft fire was deafening.

Spitfires and Hurricanes met the raiders, broke up their formations and joined battle.

One German machine after another was seen bursting to the ground.

Other enemy machines appeared later at a great height, but their formations were broken by British fighters. As the raiders went off in full flight, the "All Clear" at 4.40 p.m. BST came to London with dramatic suddenness.

THIRD RAID

There was a brief interval, then the warning signal was again sounded shortly after 5 p.m. and the day's third daylight attempt on London commenced. Nothing of importance developed in the London area and the "all clear" was again sounded at 5.22 p.m.

Some of the machines which passed over London in the second raid yesterday are believed to include the notorious "Yellow Nose Squadron," Goering's net formation.

DEADLY STARS

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The most intense barrage Londoners have ever heard was flung up when German raiders appeared over the capital.

Anti-aircraft guns crashed into life with a shattering roar but not a searchlight cast a beam across the clear sky, lit by a strong moon and spangled with

CZECH SQUADRON RAIDS ENEMY TERRITORY

LONDON, Sept. 12 (BWS).—A Czechoslovakian bomber squadron recently formed in this country has made its first raid over enemy territory.

They took part in a successful attack on railway goods yards in Brussels and when they arrived over the target the crews found they were in a cloud.

Two of the pilots came right down and broke the cloud in the face of anti-aircraft fire and bombed right on the target.

EPILEPSY AND HEREDITY

How large a factor in the development of epilepsy is heredity? This question is frequently asked by those planning to marry and have children who have what they term an epileptic strain in their family.

No precise answer can be given. But it may be said that heredity plays less of a role in the development of epilepsy than it was formerly believed to do. To begin with "epilepsy" described a group of clinical manifestations rather than a single well-defined disease. What is commonly called epilepsy really embraces a number of convulsive disorders.

In the case of epilepsy we deal with a condition for which, in many cases, there are clear exogenous (non-hereditary) or environmental, exciting or precipitating causes," reported the eugenical sterilization investigation committee of the American Neurological Association.

new and deadly stars—hundreds of bursting shells.

It was the heaviest fighting Reuter's correspondent had heard from his post on an 80-foot high rooftop.

Some shells burst overhead with a tremendous crash.

Incendiary bombs whizzed down but in the early stages of the raid, it did not appear that big high explosive bombs were being used.

MIDNIGHT BATTLE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The battle over London was still in progress as midnight approached.

There were times when so many planes were over the city that their drone rose above the crash of gunfire.

New gun reports sent echoes singing across London. The high resonant note of one explosion was followed by the deep "woon" of others.

Guns answered one another in swelling the thunderous chorus as group after group of planes came in. The heavy explosion from a bomb in one district was answered by frantic bashes of gunfire.

At one time a couple of searchlights flitted across the sky for a few minutes but soon went off again.

Suddenly, there was a vivid splash of light in mid-air, a rending sound—a fierce whining—and an appalling crash, followed by three or four smaller explosions and a great cloud of smoke shot up to the sky.

73 DESTROYED

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Fuller reports are now available of Tuesday night's enemy activity over the London area.

REPORTS UP TO 6.30 P.M. G.M.T. SHOW THAT 73 ENEMY AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED BY OUR FIGHTERS. SEVENTEEN OF OUR FIGHTERS WERE LOST BUT THE PILOTS OF THREE ARE SAFE.

Although much damage was done to private property, it was less than on the previous night and casualties were fortunately very much less severe, adds the communique.

"Incendiary bombs started many fires but only one major fire was caused and all are under control."

The work of the fire services has again been beyond praise and their arrangements for mutual assistance are working smoothly.

Full reports of casualties are not yet available but 18 persons are known to have been killed and 280 injured.

To the localities attacked must now be added a town on the south bank of the Thames estuary, where a number of houses were demolished and several persons killed.

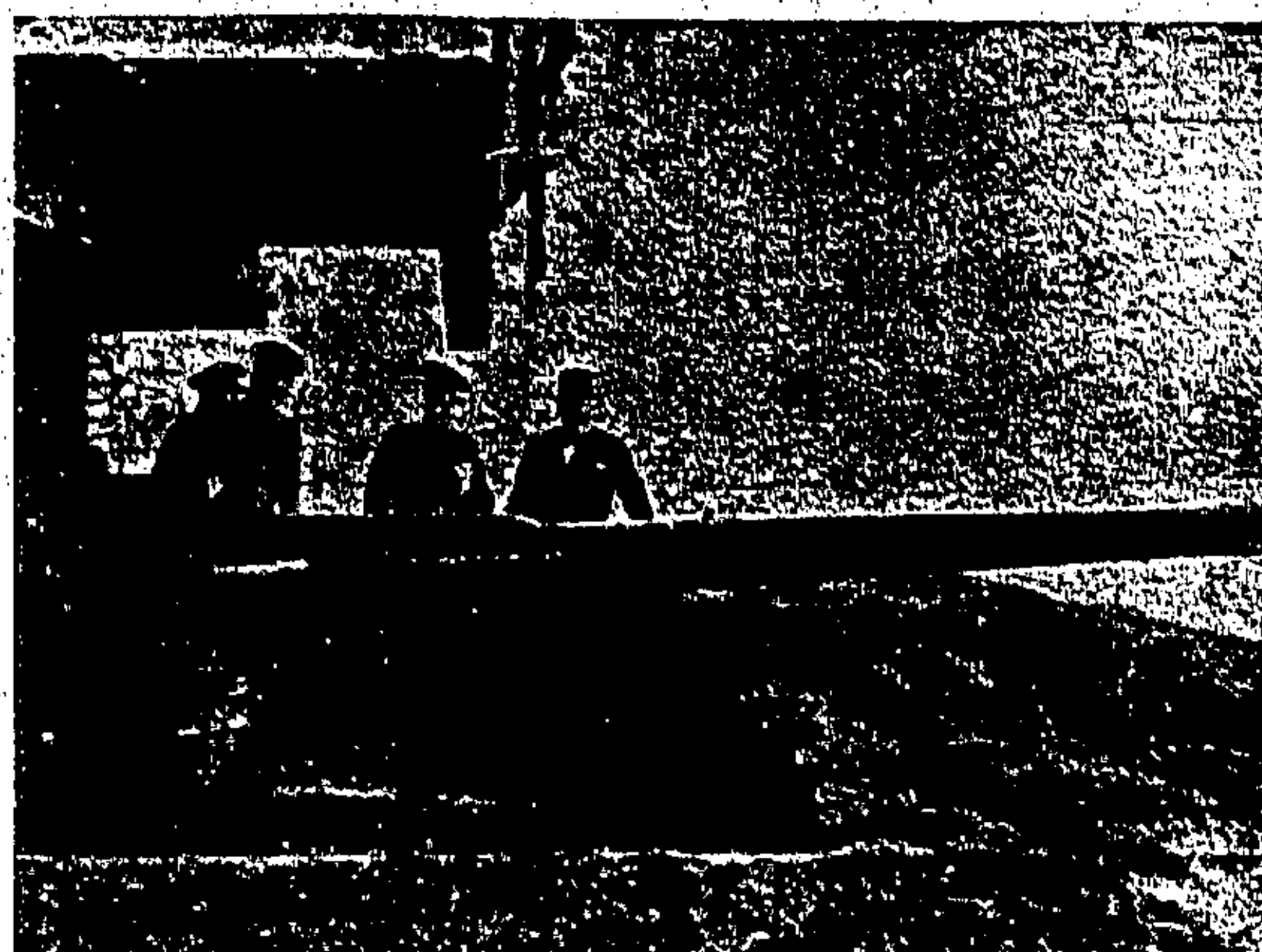
MONDAY'S CASUALTIES

The total casualties on Monday night are now reported to be in the neighbourhood of 400 killed and 1,400 injured—the majority of the fatalities occurring when an elementary school in the East End of London, which was affording temporary shelter to families whose homes were destroyed, was hit and collapsed.

There was little enemy activity over this country yesterday (Wednesday) until about 2 p.m. G.M.T. when a large number of enemy aircraft approached the London area.

The enemy was driven off but reports so far received show that some damage was done, mainly in three districts—south of the river.

Bombs were also dropped in another attack on a town on the south coast, where some casualties are reported, a number of which were fatal.



Britain's Prime Minister inspects coastal defences. Mr. Churchill at one of the newly fortified points on the east coast of England.

GEN. ANTONESCU HUNGARIAN TROOPS REACH CLUJ

BUCHAREST, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—An appeal to all Rumanians to support the present dictatorial regime and work calmly and in perfect discipline was made by Rumania's dictator, General Antonescu, yesterday.

"The regime," he said, "desires to relieve hardship but will not hesitate to deal ruthlessly with any attempt to upset it." The General warned the country that he would punish severely any movement of an anarchist nature.

A communique issued by the President and Council yesterday stated that measures have been taken to effect partial demobilisation of the army and reduce requisitioned articles to a minimum.

NAZI LONG-RANGE GUNS POUND DOVER FOR HOURS

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—London received its fourth air raid warning at 7.37 p.m. BST last evening, but in the meantime, Dover was being both bombed and shelled.

The town experienced its greatest attack of the war, with mass aerial bombardment, followed by the scream of heavy shells. A few persons were killed and others are reported injured.

The shelling continued after the bombing raid for several hours. German long-range guns mounted on the French coast opened fire after bombs were dropped, sending six gun salvos across the sunlit Channel. Shelling continued at intervals at dusk tonight.

The attack on the Dover area began a few minutes after the air raid had begun along the Kent coast.

HIGH-FLYING RAIDERS Twelve German heavy bombers flew in from the sea to a west town, flying at about 15,000 feet. Anti-aircraft guns opened fire as the bombers flew over the town's balloon barrage.

The escorting Messerschmitt fighters circled above and beneath the bombers. Shell puffs dotted the sky around the raiders and one was seen to explode in the air.

When the bombers flew over the town, they loosed a shower of bombs. One wrecked a house.

DIVE-BOMBING ATTACK London, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—A convoy of enemy ships was sighted from the English coast yesterday afternoon.

There were at least 12 ships, fair-sized vessels, near Cap Gris Nez, making towards the harbour at Boulogne.

The dive-bombing attack on Dover and the shelling of the area by German guns on the French coast were apparently intended to cover the movement of the convoy.

British guns replied. Later large forces of R.A.F. bombers passed over the south-east coast, heading towards the French and Belgian coast lines.

It is believed that a number of bombs were dropped east of Calais.

WHAT HAPPENED?

About 3.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon a large crowd of Chinese gathered in the vicinity of the Oriental Theatre in the Wanchai district and the presence of police, with batons drawn, suggested that something was afoot.

Inquiries from the Wanchai Police Station last night elicited no information.

CONTRIBUTIONS FROM INDIA

MAHARAJAH GIVES 30 LAKHS

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—Indians in all walks of life have contributed nearly £1,250,000 to the Viceroy's War Purposes and St. Dunstan's Fund. No appeal for this fund was launched, but since the war began spontaneous donations—from a lakh of rupees to a few annas—have been coming in.

Some say what they would like their money to be used for, others leave it to the Viceroy's decision.

Over £500,000 has thus gone directly to the British Exchequer or to organisations providing comforts or relief to war victims. The largest single sum, nearly £300,000, has been for the purchase of fighters.

This is not the only fund in India of course. There is also the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance fund and the war purposes funds of various Governments.

The State of Baroda has sent another contribution of 70 lakhs, the Maharajah giving 30 lakhs and the rest being contributed by business houses.

ANTI-SUICIDE MEASURES

Precautionary measures against people taking their own lives by jumping from buildings, were discussed by managers of various Chinese teahouses and restaurants at a meeting.

It has been tentatively decided that porches and windows of teahouses should be guarded with iron nets. Such a measure has been adopted by a few teahouses in Queen's Road.

It has also been suggested that anti-suicide posters and slogans should be introduced in order to warn customers against the practice.

However, this measure has not been considered by Chinese restaurants since practically no suicide cases have occurred there.

VARNISH ON BRITISH PLANES MAKE THEM INVISIBLE

BERLIN, AUG. 30—WELL-INFORMED GERMAN AIR FORCE SOURCES CLAIMED TODAY THAT BRITISH BOMBERS used in the recent night raids over Germany were painted with a secret type of varnish which made them invisible in the light of the strongest German searchlights, writes Dana Schmidt in the Manila Bulletin.

The varnish, which is a thick black painted on the underside of the planes, according to these sources, was an invention, the secret of which the British alone possess.

These sources claimed that after little on the couch. When a British bomber had been shot down recently, the underside, which was painted with the secret varnish, was held up to the ray of an automobile headlight and immediately became invisible.

SHOOTING SHADOWS

According to these sources, German anti-aircraft batteries have been able to shoot only at shadows of the planes on the clouds while the planes themselves remained completely invisible.

Well-informed German air force sources further revealed that the British planes which raided Berlin in the past few nights have flown at heights ranging from 6,000 to 15,000 feet. The frequent variation in heights and tone of the engines was stated to have made work of the German sound-detecting apparatus highly difficult.

NUMBER OF WAVES

These quarters stated that the RAF raiders apparently came over in a number of waves with each wave apparently remaining from 10 to 15 minutes over Berlin, and then returning home, followed by another wave.

German air force officers described the fights to Berlin, particularly in bad weather, as "remarkable feats of navigation."

The German high command announced that British losses in Wednesday's operations were 54 planes and one barrage balloon against 15 German planes missing, claimed that German planes inflicted heavy damage over a wide area in the British Isles, and confirmed that "several" persons were killed in the British raids Thursday morning on Berlin.

PLANNED ATTACK

"British planes during the night carried out a planned attack on the residential quarters of the Reich capital," the high command admitted. "Numerous civilians were killed or injured, and fires were caused in the attacks on many houses."

The high command said British planes also raided the Leuna Works, but "the damage was slight. Several other points in central and western Germany were bombed, but there was also no damage caused that was worth mentioning."

Police told me during that raid that two British fliers had hung from their parachutes for almost ten minutes in the eastern sky. Residents could see the glow from several cities ignited by incendiary bombs in the east.

SLEPT A LITTLE

After the firing ebbed I slept a

SPOKESMAN STATES

DESTRUCTION OF BRIDGE EMERGENCY MOVE

CHUNGKING, Sept. 12 (Central).—Officially confirming the blowing up of the bridge that spans the Red River, linking the Chinese border town of Hekou and the Indo-China border town of Luokay, the Chinese military spokesman described it as an emergency measure for self-defence.

"Not only have we blown up the bridge," declared the spokesman in an interview with Central News, "but we have also torn up a section of the railway tracks as a precaution against Japanese attacks on Yunnan through Indo-China."

These defensive measures have been taken, explained the spokesman, as result of reliable information that the French authorities at Vichy have steadily given in to Japanese demands for transit of troops through the colony.

"Intelligence reports," emphasised the spokesman, "reveal that even technical problems concerning the landing of Japanese troops, such as time and localities and scope of operations, have been discussed in the Franco-Japanese negotiations."

CANNOT BE IDLE

Under these circumstances, declared the spokesman, "we are not expected to sit idly by, doing nothing, while the French are giving enemy troops permission to use their territory as a base for attack on our territory."

Furthermore, said the

THICK WITH GLASS

The streets were still thick with glass from countless windows although almost every resident within two blocks had already been moved into new quarters. The father of one of the victims remained, telling us with perspiring face and staring eyes that his 16-year-old daughter had been killed as she ran past the doorway on her way to the air raid shelter. Five other persons had been killed in the same doorway.

The German officer acting as propaganda ministry guide drove us to the Klingenberg electric works, about seven minutes from Kottbuserstrasse in east Berlin where all appeared normal. Officials assured us no bombs had dropped there.

At Tempelhof airdrome in south-east Berlin we walked across the landing field and saw some 60 passenger planes of all types.

There were no military planes and no signs of bombs. The same was the case at Siemens Electrical Works and the arms factories of Siemensstadt in north-west Berlin where several thousand workers were calmly proceeding to work.

LACQUER ENAMEL

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 30.—The Pratt-Lambert enamel company today announced development of a lacquer enamel to camouflage military planes, enabling them to "change" colour to conform with the terrain. It was said that the U.S. army is experimenting with it.

(In Washington, the air corps said that it had experimented successfully with such an enamel for several years. The trade journal "Auto Serviceman" said meanwhile that a graphite compound makes planes invisible when they are higher than 100 feet, but furnished no further details.)

HEAVY JAPANESE CASUALTIES

CHUNGKING, Sept. 12 (Central).—Supported by artillery and planes, Japanese forces at Mochi-shan, on the west bank of the Yangtze River, opposite Ichang, launched an attack on the Chinese positions at Mochi-shan near-by on Sept. 7.

After a serious encounter, the Japanese were thrown back with heavy casualties. Several Japanese artillery pieces were destroyed.

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Insect Life
In ColonyINSTRUCTIVE TALK
TO Y'S MEN

A talk on the insect life of the Colony was given before the weekly Y's Men's meeting of the Y's Men's Club, at St. Francis Hotel yesterday, by Mr. Edward Shim.

30 VARIETIES

Mr. Shim, who is connected with Imperial Chemical Industries, illustrated his lecture from his specimen box, showing some 30 varieties of common insect pests of Hongkong.

The speaker gave a short discourse also on various insecticides and fungicides that may be employed to combat insect pests in the Colony's gardens. Principal of these is the Katakilla insecticide prepared by the Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd.

SPEAKER THANKED

Mr. K. F. Wong, thanking the speaker, said that he had been very much enlightened by the lecture on beetles, being one of the many residents of the Colony who thought the only bugs to be found here were "big bugs" and "small bugs".

S'HA! CHOLERA
RESTRICTIONS

Quarantine restrictions have been imposed by the Chinese Maritime Customs, Shanghai, against arrivals from Hongkong on account of cholera.

49 CASES

The following is the Return of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended at midnight on September 11:—Cholera 49 cases; Enteric Fever, nine cases; Dysentery, eight cases; Tuberculosis, 40 cases.

VICE-ADMIRAL SIR
G. LAYTON TAKES
OVER COMMAND

Command of the Far East Station of the British Fleet was formally taken over yesterday by Vice-Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, C.B., D.S.O., from Admiral Sir Percy Noble, K.C.B. The change over of command was not marked by any special ceremony.

Mr. Geoffrey, it will be remembered, was until recently, Vice-Admiral of the First Battle Squadron of the Home Fleet, and was previously second in command of the Mediterranean Fleet.

SALT USED IN
AIRPORT
CONSTRUCTION

Aeroplane runways have opened up a new market for salt in Canada, according to the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, which reports that salt-stabilized bases for runways were prepared at several new airfields in the Dominion during 1939.

The successful use of a mixture of salt and clay as a stabiliser for the foundations of highways, and for a surface veneer for gravel roads, has led to its adoption for air runways.

The firmness of a runway is a primary consideration and the increased demand for landing places for aircraft has created a potential field for salt.

Salt has been used to facilitate winter automobile travel during the past few years.

The salt is mixed with sand which is piled each fall at regular intervals along main highways, and it has been found that even in the coldest of weather the sand in piles which have been so treated remains loose and free flowing, thus allowing easy distribution on the icy roadways.

THE WEATHER

The maximum temperature yesterday was 82 and the minimum 75 compared with 87 and 79 on Wednesday.

Total rainfall since Jan. 1 is 110.80 against an average of 71.34.

The Royal Observatory report states:—

A moderate anti-cyclone covers China, and pressure also remains high to the south-east of Japan.

The typhoon is moving north-east across Central Japan and a trough of low pressure extends from Luzon to the Mariana Islands.

EXECUTIVE YUAN
MEETINGPROVINCIAL GOVT.
CHANGES

CHUNGKING, Sept. 11 (Central)—Two changes in the Kansu Provincial Government and the Szechwan administration were made by the Executive Yuan at its meeting yesterday.

Mr. Chen Kuo-liang, M.A. Columbia University, formerly Commissioner of Education for Hopei, was appointed Commissioner of Finance of the Kansu Provincial Government to succeed Mr. Liang Chung-shun.

Mr. Yu Chung-ying was named Mayor of Chengtu, succeeding Mr. Yang Chuen-yu.

THRIFT DRIVE
IN CHINA

CHUNGKING, Sept. 12 (Central)—Dr. H. H. Kung, Vice-President of the Executive Yuan and president of the newly organised Thrift and National Reconstruction Savings Corps, has circulated a telegram instructing all municipalities and provinces in Free China to form similar corps the latest by Sept. 15 in order to expedite the economy savings campaign.

A savings contest, in which the Thrift and National Reconstruction Savings Corps in various places will participate, will shortly be held.

St. Andrew's
Fellowship
Activities

The October Programme of St. Andrew's Fellowship has just been published. The main items of interest are: A Social in aid of the B.W.O.F. on Tuesday, October 8, a Card Night for Bridge and Whist enthusiasts on October 2 at 8.30 p.m., a "Bee" Night on Wednesday, Oct. 16, and on the following Wednesday a Talk with lantern slides.

The weekly meetings of St. Andrew's Fellowship of Youth have also been incorporated in the programme and on Monday next, Mr. Gordon Gardiner, B. Com., will address this meeting on "Should we Pray for Victory?" The meeting takes place at 6.15 p.m. every Monday in St. Andrew's Church Hall.

It is pointed out that St. Andrew's Fellowship is now functioning fully and new members are always welcome. The club, which is situated in the St. Andrew's Church Hall Building, is open daily from 10 a.m. till 11 p.m.

Facilities for Lawn and Table Tennis, Badminton and Hockey are available to members. Light Refreshments can always be obtained in the Club Rooms at moderate prices.

Those interested may have further particulars by writing to G. H. P. Gardiner, Hon. Sec., St. Andrew's Fellowship, St. Andrew's, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

PRISONERS IN GERMANY
POORLY FED: REPORT
BY TWO AMERICANS

VICHY, Sept. 2.—Louis Wehrle and Albert Raymond, the last two Americans to be released from German prison camps, arrived here today via Geneva, after their liberation from the main camp of French officers on a wind-swept, sandy plain in Silesia, 44 miles northwest of Dresden.

Both were volunteer ambulance drivers, captured with the French at Ardennes while they were trying to evacuate the Anne Morgan American women's refugee relief unit.

Wehrle was 30 pounds thinner than when he entered the prison camp. "The prisoners are badly underfed," he said, "They need help now. They get just enough to stay alive."

DAILY RATIONS

Standard daily rations, he said, were a cup of ersatz coffee with a spoonful of jam in the morning; a half-cup of soup, a little meat and a few potatoes at noon; and a slice of sausage, a teaspoonful of lard or margarine, and one-fifth of a loaf of bread at 6 p.m.

The 6,000 French officers in the Silesian camp have organized schools with lecture courses to keep themselves busy so that they can forget their hunger. There are special courses in agronomy, book-keeping, philosophy, history, law, and political economy. University professors among the officer-prisoners are the teachers. Wehrle related.

INVASION OF INDO-CHINA
WILL BE VERY COSTLY

Japan will face a costly undertaking if she ever tries to land forces in French Indo-China and to move men and equipment across that country into China, according to Andre Savary, well-known French resident who returned last Sunday from French Indo-China where he served with the French army for ten months, writes Felix Gonzales in the Manila Bulletin.

After securing his demobilization papers, he stayed in Hanoi several days and had occasion to observe conditions before he left the capital of the French colony on Aug. 20.

He said both Frenchmen and natives in Indo-China are calm in the face of Japanese pressure, but French as well as colonial troops stand ready to defend the colony to the last in the event of an attack.

MERELY BLUFFING

The general opinion, however, appears to be that the Japanese are merely bluffing as they have tried twice previously since July 15. While no one could predict exactly what will happen, he declared the consensus is that Japan will try to get as many advantages as she can without actually fighting for them.

On two occasions previously, he recalled, the Japanese made it appear they delivered ultimatums to the colonial government, only to state later that they had merely made requests when their demands were turned down.

The French government in Indo-China has dealt firmly with the Japanese and made it clear no troops can be landed. On one occasion there were two transports and two minesweepers off Haiphong but owing to the firmness of the government no troops were landed, Savary said.

GENERAL BELIEF

Although the general belief is that Japan will not try anything drastic in Indo-China, the fact that regional commanders of the Japanese could start incidents made it rather uncertain as to whether a campaign in Indo-China might be anticipated.

Savary pointed out that members of the Japanese commission in French Indo-China are divided as to the policy to be followed. While the chairman is for moderation, his assistant is for drastic measures.

It is possible that French Indo-China may become a battleground for Japanese and Chinese forces, he agreed, as there seems to be little doubt that as soon as Japanese forces are landed along the coast the Chinese will cross the border and try to drive the Japanese off. While he was in Indo-China, however, he did not hear of any massing of Chinese troops along the border, and if there were any border violations these were purely unintentional, Savary said.

TROOPS READY

One thing is certain, according to him, and that is that the French army and colonial troops are ready to defend Indo-China and while they may not be equipped for long sustained fighting, they can make the invasion costly. All positions are manned, and those that are not can be manned in a few hours, he said. The army is equipped with mechanized units,

and has thousands of trucks. There is sufficient man power.

The Far Eastern squadron, with two cruisers and auxiliary craft, has been augmented with minor vessels which have been armed and converted into minesweepers, minelayers, patrol boats, dispatch vessels, and other auxiliary naval craft, he stated. The entire coastline of the colony is well patrolled and portions have been mined.

EVERYTHING DONE

In view of these measures Frenchmen in the colony feel assured that everything possible has been done to protect the colony against aggression. Frenchmen in Indo-China still consider Germany and Italy as their enemies, and they tolerate the Vichy government only because they believe this government "will fall dead on its feet," Savary reports. With reference to Admiral Decoux, he said French residents in Indo-China consider the new governor of the colony a "fine Frenchman."

Speaking of internal conditions in the colony, Savary declared that there can be no fear of trouble from the natives as these feel that they are fairly treated and can expect no better treatment from either the Japanese or the Chinese.

FIRM HOLD

Furthermore, no fear of uprisings or revolutions can be entertained owing to the firm hold which the government has on the people and due to the presence of French troops which are more than adequate to maintain peace and order.

Living conditions continue normal, he reported, although the cost of living has gone up since the war. People appear contented and business goes on as usual. The northern provinces continue to be almost self-sufficient, doing practically no importation and no exportation. He found very little change in conditions as compared with pre-war days.

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Finance and Commerce

Chinese Rally Behind Co-operatives: Working For Independence

Fully realizing that the Chinese Industrial Co-operative administration in Chungking is working for the industrial development of China against the day when she will have to be independent of Japan, not only politically, but also financially, Chinese at home are rallying behind the industrial co-operatives and those abroad are co-operating with donations, according to Bewi Alley, chief adviser to the Chinese Industrial Co-operative Administration, reports the Manila Bulletin.

Mr. Alley spoke before a meeting of members of the Philippine Association for Industrial Co-operatives in China held at the U.S. High Commissioner's residence on Dewey Boulevard.

HELP APPRECIATED
In his speech he expressed the organization's appreciation for the help being given by the local association and expressed the hope that within the year membership in the organization would be increased ten times.

He said that China had come to realize that it must industrialize or perish. Communities once industrial had abandoned their trades owing to importation of Japanese manufactured goods, he stated, but with the Indusco (Industrial Co-operative) the Chinese government is exerting efforts to industrialize Chinese communities and to give employment not only to families of Chinese soldiers but also to disabled former service men.

A free China is one of the most

stabilizing forces in the world, he declared, predicting that the war which has lasted three years may last another three years or more if the Chinese are given the means with which to carry on.

He also declared that China regretted the closing of the Burma road but that hopes were entertained this would be reopened.

Most of his speech was devoted to a report of the activities of the Indusco from its organization in 1938, its functions and the manner it carries on.

He said Indusco expects to produce 1,000,000 blankets for the army this winter, aside from leather equipment, dyes and medicines.

REMARKABLE PROGRESS
He also reported that at present there are nearly 2,000 small co-operative factories and workshops, 35,000 Indusco members and about

CANADIAN LUMBER EXPORTS GAIN

Although international trade channels have been seriously disrupted by war conditions, exports of lumber from Canada have been increasing. During the nine-month period from Sept. 1, 1939, to May 31, 1940, exports rose to 1,550,000,000 board feet, an increase of 144,000,000 board feet over the corresponding period in 1938-39.

Shipments to the United Kingdom, chief market for Canadian lumber, increased from 724,000,000 to 805,000,000 board feet, and other Empire countries increased their purchases from 183,000,000 to 212,000,000 board feet.

Exports to the United States showed a gain of 70,000,000 board feet, but shipments to all other foreign countries declined by 37,000,000 feet. The value of exports to all countries rose from \$30,000,000 to \$39,000,000, an increase of 30 per cent.

250,000 persons dependent upon the organization for their livelihood.

The organization produces nearly \$9,000,000 worth of goods monthly, he stated, and while this represents a small part of the Chinese trade, the progress achieved is remarkable.

Bricks Replace Sandbags: London Finds Them Cheaper & More Effective Protection

London is rapidly losing all its sandbags, and the standard practice is now to use brickwork or hollow concrete blocks filled with sand for the protection of windows, doors and similar apertures.

This looks much neater although in some cases the sandbags have been completely enclosed in wooden shuttering. This, however, is not a good method, since apart from not being fire-proof it uses up valuable wood whereas there is abundance of bricks and concrete, especially because of the enormous slump in the building industries.

The Home Office A. R. P. Department have announced that the standard protection can be obtained from 13½" of brickwork, 15" of concrete, or 12" of 2-way reinforced concrete, and there is very much to be said for the use of bricks, which requires no steelwork, occupies a very small amount of floor space, is lighter than concrete and can easily be bonded into existing buildings as a support. Further, brickwork has a definite salvage value.

Concrete, however, is also being used to an enormous extent, and it is particularly valuable in the shape of sections for the construction of A. R. P. shelters below the ground level, either in the form of reinforced concrete arch sections or of the flat roof type with reinforced interlocking roof units.

Shelters of this kind are quickly erected and require no special skilled labour, whilst when covered with earth of 2/3' thickness they are completely splinter-proof, and shock-proof.

UNDERGROUND SHELTERS
An enormous number of underground shelters have been constructed in London, and other large cities, and some interesting detailed information for example has been made public with regard to the methods being adopted in making shelters of the existing cellar type in Wandsworth, the largest borough in London, which has provided basement shelters for nearly 30,000 people, being about 560 shelters.

One of the main points of these basement shelters is heavy reinforcement, with steel, wood or concrete, in case of collapse, or partial collapse, of the building.

During this work at Wandsworth over 5,000 cellars and basements were surveyed, and eventually about 800 were left for possible conversion into public air raid shelters, although about 560 were finally chosen.

In this connexion the basement shelter, to be safe, must include the provision of a second exit, sufficient head room, over 6' 6", a reasonable accommodation capacity, and absence of such objectionable neighbours as heavy machinery or safes overhead and of chemicals or inflammable material. Generally the ideal basement shelter is small, that is with accommodation for not much more than 50-60 people.

For the internal strutting and protection against collapse of the building in addition to concrete both timber and steel are used, as already indicated although timber is rapidly becoming scarce, and it is necessary to economise in steel. Concrete, therefore, either monolithic or in the form of blocks, is of obvious value, although not more so than bricks.

Amended Regulations In Canned Food Act

Several changes in the regulations under the Meat and Canned Food Act were published in the July 20 issue of the Canada Gazette. The new regulations governing the standardization of containers will not be effective until January 1, 1941. After that date all imported food products must comply with the regulations for standard containers.

Standard containers for food products offered for sale in Canada apply to the following: fruits in syrup or water, namely: apple, sauce, apricots, berries, cherries, crabapples, fruits for salad, grapefruit, peaches, pears, plums, prunes and rhubarb; solid pack fruits other than apples; apples, apple pie filler; fruit and vegetable juices; vegetables, namely: beans (green, wax, lima), beets, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, corn (cream style or in brine); peas, potatoes, pumpkin, sauerkraut, spinach and other greens, and succotash; asparagus, beans (asparagus style); mushrooms, tomatoes, tomato paste, and tomato pulp and puree.

With further regard to tomatoes, calcium chloride, if declared, may be used to firm tomatoes but in no case more than 0.05 per cent. of the weight of the finished canned product.

A change is made in the tomato juice colour requirements. This is a definite improvement to the

grade of the product. It is the natural colour of the fruit and in no case should the change be construed as an artificial colour.

GRADES CHANGED
Grades for apple sauce have been changed; grades for apple juice have been established, and also for evaporated and dehydrated vegetables; changes have been made in the grades for evaporated and dried apples; and the moisture content of dried apples has been lowered. The Standard

Quality grade of pineapple has been eliminated.

No colour can be used in canned fruits and vegetables, but in jams, jellies, and pickles, artificial colours are permitted, if declared on the label.

The venting of cans is prohibited. The venting of cans is considered a bad course of practice, because cans that require venting are invariably poorly processed as a result of hydrogen swells.

In the regulations concerning labels and markings, an addition

LONDON GOLD

London, Sept. 11 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 188/-

has been made with regard to products packed in water. The words, "In water" must appear in the markings or label.

DRAINED WEIGHT

Other alterations in the regulations include a change in the drained weight of loganberries; preservative permitted in fruits intended for re-manufacturing purposes; percentage of salt in sauerkraut omitted; asparagus cuttings which conform in tenderness to the "Tips" defined in the regulations may be added to frozen asparagus grades, and frozen peas may be labelled "Peas for Soup Stock," if packed for that purpose, upon sale to licensed establishments for re-manufacturing purposes.

Concerning the import regulations, there are several changes in Clause 20. "No person shall import nor shall Collectors of Customs and Excise clear any importation of food or food products subject to the regulations if of grade (standard of quality) declared or determined to be below the minimum grade established in these regulations for such product, except for re-manufacturing purposes and in containers of not less than one-half gallon capacity."

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...	H.K. Docks (New)
...	+Shanghai Docks
...	Mining
...	Kailash
...	Rauha
...	Hong Kong Mines
...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings
...	H.K. & S. Hotels
...	H.K. Lands
...	Do. 4% Debentures
...	Shanghai Lands
...	H.K. Realities
...	Humphreys
...	Chinese Estates
...	Cotton Mills
...	Ewo (S.)
...	Shai Cottons (S.)
...	Zong Sings (S.)
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)
...	Public Utilities
...	H.K. Tramways
...	Peak Trams (old)
...	Peak Trams (new)
...	Star Ferries
...	Ymat Ferries
...	China Lights (O)
...	H.K. Electric (New)
...	H.K. Electric (Old)
...	Macao Electric (Old)
...	Macao Electric (New)
...	Sandakan Lights
...	Telephones (old)
...	Telephones (new)
...	Sports, Traction (Ord.)
...	Industrial
...	Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.
...	Cald, Macg. (Pref.) S.
...	Canton Ice
...	Cement
...	H.K. Rope
...	H.K. Govt. Loans
...	4% Loan
...	3 1/2% (1934)
...	3 1/2% (1940)
...	Miscellaneous
...	Dairy Farms
...	Entertainments
...	Constructions (old)
...	Constructions (new)
...	Lane Crawford
...	Singapore Tobacco
...	Watsons
...	Ch. G. 5% 1925-38 Bds.
...	I.L.K. Wing On
...	Shai Wing On
...	Vibro Piling
...	Marsmans Inv. (Lon.)
...	Marsmans Inv. (H.K.)
...	Wia, Powell
...	+Sale to Shanghai

MARKET REPORT

FROM ROZA BROS.

Thursday, Sept. 12.

The price for Ready Silver dropped 1/16 yesterday to 23 7/16 but the Forward rate was unchanged at 23 7/16. Silver advances reported a quiet market with very little business done. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York/London was quoted at 403 1/2.

MARKET

Quiet.

STERLING
There were sellers at 1/23 1/32 up to November, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS
Opened with sellers at 22 9/16, buyers bidding 22 11/16 leading to business at 22 5/8 for Cash followed by transaction at 22 9/16 for near and 22 5/8 November, buyers at 22 5/8 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Business was done early in the morning at 429. Later the selling rate receded and business was done at 427 3/4 and 427 1/2 for Cash. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 427.

SHANGHAI MARKET
Erratic. Sterling opened with sellers at 3 1/4 for 64. The lowest rate touched was 3 1/5 for Spot. The market closed steadier with sellers at 3 1/2 for Spot. U. S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/4 and then receded to 5 7/32 for Spot. The market closed with sellers at 5 1/4 for Spot.

AFTERNOON MARKET
Quiet.

STERLING
The market closed with sellers at 1/23 1/32 up to November, buyers at 1/3 for any delivery.

U.S. DOLLARS
A small business was done at 22 5/8 for the end of October. The market closed with sellers at 22 9/16 for near and probably 22 5/8 November, buyers at 22 5/8 for Cash.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS
Dropped at the opening to 422. Subsequently business was done at 423 and 424. The market closed with sellers at 423 1/2 buyers at 424.

SHANGHAI MARKET
Sterling opened with sellers at 3 1/4 for 64 and closed with sellers at 3 3/4 for 64. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 5 1/5 and closed a shade lower at 5 9/32 for Spot.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume of Business Transacted on Thursday, Sept. 12, 1940.

A.S. Watsons 500 @ 9.00
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H.K. Electric (O) 100 37.65

1.100
The total value is \$12,765.00.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

The day was featureless.

BUYERS

H.K. Banks, \$1290.
Union Ins., \$398.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$150.
Providents, \$415.
Humphreys, \$680.
Realities, \$345.
Star Ferries, \$59.
Telephones (N), \$9.75.

SELLERS
Hotels, \$3.60.
Lands, \$30.75.
Telephones (O), \$24.25.
Cements, \$18.60.
Watsons, \$9.10.

SALES
Lands, \$30.75.
Trams, \$15.80.
Electric (O), \$37.65 X.D.

Australia To Build Up Security Stock

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The Australian Department of Supply is to build up security stocks of raw materials to the value of \$10,000,000, according to Sydney Radio.

This will be sufficient to keep the industry going for nearly 12 months in the event of interruption of seaborne communications.

WANTED KNOWN

Experienced Book-keeper Wants Students to form a class. Guarantee students to keep a whole set of books after completion of a course of 6 months. For Term and Particulars. Please Apply to:—Box No. 463 c/o H.K.D.P.

WANTED TO BUY

WE OFFER HIGH PRICES for any amount of gold articles, diamonds, jade, etc. No holidays. Apply China Building, 7th floor. Tel. 30727. Eurasia Gold Refining Co.

Wanted to Buy 2nd Hand Typewriter in Good Condition. Please apply to Box No. 464 c/o The H.K.D.P.

FOR SALE

For Sale Fifty sets of Jubilee and Coronation Stamps 1st day Cover. What offer? Please apply to Box No. 465 c/o The H.K.D.P.

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).—The Spanish Minister of the Interior, Senor Serrano Sumer, will shortly visit Germany at the invitation of the German Government, according to the German official news agency.

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Gordon's
...and know
what you're
drinking!



NO COLOURING MATTER
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PRE-PAID ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following classes of advertisements are charged at the price given, below:—

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LONDON, Sept.

FOREIGN MARKETS & QUOTATIONS

BANKS

MONEY AND EXCHANGE

CLOSING QUOTATIONS
SEPTEMBER 12, 1940

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 7/8	
Credits 4 months sight 1 3/16	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 4 1/2	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 62 3/4	
On Japan:—	
On demand 108	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 7/8	
On demand 1/2 7/8	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 22 3/8	
Credits, 60 days sight 23 1/4	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 41 7/8	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills, on demand 108 1/2	
Credits 4 months sight 116 1/2	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 97 1/4	
On Manila:—	
On demand 44 3/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 149 1/2	
On Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate 1/5 1 1/2	
Bar Silver per oz 23 7/16	

Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Sept. 12 (Reuter).	
Official T.T. Rates	
London 0/3-3/8	
New York 21-1/4	
Japan 18-5/8	
Hongkong 22-3/8	
Sterling	
Opening 0/3-3/8	
Closing 0/3-3/8	
Spot 0/3-31/64	
Sept. 0/3-31/64	
Oct. 0/3-15/32	
U.S. Dollars	
Spot \$5-1/4	
Sept. 5-1/4	
Oct. 5-7/32	
Market—Quiet	
Silver Duty Rate	
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.	
The Equalisation rate was 24-1/4 per cent.	

Calcutta Exchange

Calcutta, Sept. 11 (Reuter).	
T.T. on Japan, 81-1/4.	

India Rupee Paper

Bombay, Sept. 11 (Reuter).	
Govt. 3 1/2% Rupee, 90-02-0.	

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER	
London, Sept. 11 (Reuter).	
Silver—Little cash off rings.	
Business small. Market very quiet.	
Spot, 23-7/16d.	
Forward, 23-7/16d.	

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay, Sept. 11 (Reuter).	
Market—Quiet. Offtake 25 bars.	
Indian Mint Silver	
Ready 63-02	
Sept. 25 Settlement 63-02	
Oct. 23 Settlement 63-02	

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Sept. 12 (Reuter).	
The Stock Exchange was quiet mainly and fractionally easier in the absence of support. Losses, however, were only small while occasional gains were recorded by the leading Industrials.	
Wall Street was firm.	

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, Sept. 11 (Reuter).	
Aug. 30 Sept. 6	
Notes in circulation (including Notes held in the Bank—ing Department) 26,016 25,921	
Rupee Coin and Bullion in India 3,464 3,369	
Gold Coin and Bullion in India 4,441 4,441	
Securities (Indian Government) 4,960 4,961	
Securities (British Government) 13,150 13,150	

LONDON METALS EXCHANGE

London, Sept. 11 (Reuter).	
Tin, Standard, Cash, Middle Price, £248-1/2.	
Tin, Standard, 3 months, Middle Price, £251-1/4.	
After easing on early smelter selling, the market rallied by 40/- on consumers support.	

PAYNE & CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING
HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 11, 1940.	
SINGAPORE RUBBER	
Close Opening Closing Change	
Buyers Buyers	
S P O T 37-3/4 37-1/2 37-1/2 off 1/4	
OCT.-DEC. 36-3/4 36-1/2 36-5/8 off 1/8	
JAN.-MAR. 35-1/4 35 cts. 35-1/8 off 1/8	

LONDON RUBBER	
Previous close Today's close	
buyers buyers	
S P O T 12-1/4 12-1/4 Unreceived	
OCTOBER 12-1/4 12-1/4	
NOVEMBER 12-1/8 12-1/8	
JAN.-MAR. 11-7/8 11-7/8	

NEW YORK COTTON: Domestic consumption and exports 1940-41 are estimated at around 10,500,000 bales. A crop of 12,770,000 bales, as forecast in the Government report, would necessitate taking around 2,200,000 bales into the Loan. Consequently the amount of Loan will become a dominant factor.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The National Defence Advisory Commission expects shortly to complete a plan for synthetic rubber production.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The strength of the cash position continues to be the price-sustaining influence.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 129.51; Today's close, 129.36; Change, off .25.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTER'S SERVICE)

High Low Close Change	
New York Cotton, Dec. 9.29 9.25 9.28 02 up	
New York Rubber, Dec. 19.12 18.97 19.06 09 off	
Chicago Wheat, Dec. 77 76 76 1/2 up	
Chicago Corn, Dec. 57 56 57 1/2 up	
New York Hides, Dec. 10.09 9.64 9.80 16 off	

Close Opening Closing Change	
New York Cotton, Dec. 9.30/30 9.30/30 9.31/31 01 up	
October (New contract) 9.26/26 9.26/26 9.28/28 02 up	
December 9.12 9.12 9.17 01 up	
January 9.16 9.16 9.10/10 unch.	
March 9.10/10 9.10/10 9.10/10 unch.	
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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

SEPTEMBER 12, 1940

STOCKS	Last Sale	STOCKS	Last Sale
	Sept. 11		Sept. 11
Adams Express	5	Loew's Inc.	25 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2	Loft Incorporated	20 1/2
Allis Chalmers	33 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	22
Aluminum Ltd.	82	Martin, Glen L.	30 1/2
Amer. Can.	97	McKesson & Robbins, ptd.	21
American Cyanamid B.	34 1/2	Montgomery Ward	40
Amer. & Foreign Power	14	Mt. Air City Copper Co.	31 1/2
Amer. & Foreign \$7 pf.	16	National Aviation	10 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	13 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	13 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	16 1/2	National Distillers	21 1/2
Amer. Radiator	7	National Lead	17 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	11 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	38	National Supply Corp.	6
Amer. Sugar Refining	13 1/2	New York Central	13 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	163 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	44
Amer. Tobacco "B"	77	N. American Aviation	16 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	84	North American Co.	18 1/2
Anacosta Copper	21 1/2	Northern Pacific	6 1/2
Atchafalpa T. & S. Fe.	16 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	53
Aviation Corp.	41	Pacific Gas & Elec.	29 1/2
Baldwin Locomotive	14 1/2	Packard Motors	34
Baltimore & Ohio	44	Pan-American Airways	13 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	10 1/2	Paramount Pictures	5 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	8 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	20 1/2
Bendix Aviation	29 1/2	Philadelphia Read. Coal	3 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	78	Phillips Petroleum	36 1/2
Bliss & Co.	14	Public Service of N.J.	35 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	15 1/2	Pullman Inc.	19 1/2
Borg-Warner	17 1/2	Pure Oil	7 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	21	Radio Corp. of Am.	4 1/2
Budd M'facturing Corp.	4	Reading Company, Com	14 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	33	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	48 1/2
Case, J.I.	50 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	5
Celanese	28 1/2	Republic Steel	16 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	39 1/2	Revere Corp.	9 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	75 1/2	Reynold. Tobac. "B"	36 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	54	Safeway Stores	43
Commercial Credit Co.	31 1/2	Schenley Distillers	9 1/2
Corp. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	Sears Roebuck	80 1/2
Consolidated Edison	27 1/2	Shell Union Oil	9
Consolidated Oil	6 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	8 1/2
Continental Can.	38 1/2	Southern Pacific	8 1/2
Continental Oil	18 1/2	Southern Ry \$5 pfd.	19 1/2
Copperweld Steel	18 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	31 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	78	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	20 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	14 1/2
Deere & Co.	16 1/2	Standard Oil of California	18 1/2
Distillers Corpn. Seagrams	16 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	35
Douglas Aircraft	78	Stone & Webster	7 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	186 1/2	Studebaker Com.	7 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	84 1/2	Swift International	19
Eaton Mfg. Co.	30 1/2	Technicolor	9 1/2
Elec. Autolite	35	Texas Corp.	36
Elec. Bond & Share	54	Texas Gulf Sulphur	31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share \$5 pf.	63 1/2	Timken-Axle	25
Elec. Bond & Share \$6 pf.	70 1/2	Trans-America Co.	44
Elec. Power & Light \$7-pf.	35 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	5 1/2
Flintkote	14 1/2	Union Bag & Paper Corp.	11 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	47 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	71 1/2
Gen. Electric	33 1/2	Union Pacific	86
Gen. Motors	40 1/2	United Aircraft	39 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	124 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	15 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	12 1/2	United Corp.	1 1/2
Gildden Co.	13 1/2	United Corp. \$3 cum pf.	36 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	124	United Gas Corp.	17 1/2
Goodrich \$5 pf.	54	United Gas Improvement	11 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	15 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	16 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	14 1/2	U.S. Rubber	21 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pfd.	25	U.S. Rubber \$8 pfd.	87
Great Western Sugar	21 1/2	U.S. Steel	54 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	11	Vanadium	30 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	84	Vultee Aircraft	81 1/2
International Harvester	45 1/2	Walworth Co.	4 1/2
Int Nickel	27	Warner Bros. Pict.	24
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The Chippewa was built in Buffalo, N.Y., in 1884 as a coast guard cutter, and served the treasury department on the lakes until 1910, when she was rebuilt at Manitowish, Wis., and converted for passenger service.

For the next 13 years she plied between Sault Ste. Marie and Mackinac Island, the property of the Arnold Transportation Co. In 1923 she was sold to Lake Erie interests and began her service between Sandusky, Put-in-bay, Pelee Island and the Canadian Mainland. In all her island service she was commanded by Capt. Victor Brown, veteran Lake Skipper.

REPLACED
In 1938 the Chippewa was tied up and replaced by a smaller boat because she could not measure up in efficiency to either newer boats or the automobiles that took vacationers everywhere they wanted to go. Unable to sell her for further service on the lakes the owners finally let go to the salvagers, who cut her hull down for a barge, sold the rest of the iron for scrap, and offered many fixtures and parts for sale as souvenirs.

The Chippewa was one of the last walking beam, side-wheel steamers to sail the lakes. A few others remain, but most of them are tied up at Lake Erie ports, waiting similar fates unless some profitable use other than excursion sailing can be found.

WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Sept. 12.

Barometer, (at sea level), 29.88 ins.

Temperature, 77 F.

Humidity, 91 per cent.

Wind Direction, calm

Wind Force (Beaufort), 0.

Temperature: Maximum yesterday, 87 F.

Temperature: minimum last night, 75 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10th today, 0.56 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 110.80 ins.

Against an average of, 71.34 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.30 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.09 a.m.

4 p.m., Sept. 12.

Barometer (at sea level), 29.89 ins.

Temperature, 81 F.

Humidity, 78 per cent.

Wind Direction, ESE.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 3.

Maximum temperature, 82 F.

Minimum temperature, 75 F.

Rainfall, nil.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 13 to 19 Sept. 1940

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Days of Week	Time	Days of Week	Time
Fri. 13	08.45	Fri. 13	00.14
Sat. 14	20.37	Sat. 14	13.41
Sun. 15	07.47	Sun. 15	01.19
Mon. 16	21.04	Mon. 16	14.15
Tues. 17	08.31	Tues. 17	01.55
Wed. 18	21.27	Wed. 18	14.44
Thur. 19	09.14	Thur. 19	02.37
	21.49		15.15
	09.49		03.18
	22.11		15.44
	10.24		03.55
	22.37		16.14
	10.54		04.35
	22.44		16.42

OFFICIAL PROTECTION FOR 3,000 SQUATTERS

About three thousand "squatters" on Singapore Island will be affected by the Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, passed at the last Legislative Council meeting, which gives the "squatters" the right to appear before the Rent Restriction Board, in case of dispute with their landlords.

These "squatters" produce the on land formerly occupied by bulk of the Colony's vegetables and "squatters."

Just now there are over thirty summonses against "squatters," but the bill which will have retrospective effect from July 1, will give the "squatters" protection.—(Malaya Tribune).

A large number of them, however, are just trespassers on the land they occupy.

The others pay from fifty cents to \$3 a month to occupy the land they eke a living from. They build their own houses and farm the land.

There is yet another class of "squatter" who occupies Crown land, but the Government has given an assurance that if ever the need arises to eject a "squatter," adequate compensation will be paid to him.

PROFITTEERING
In recent months there has been a tendency for owners of land occupied by "squatters" to increase the land rents, or eject the occupiers.

This was, to a large measure, due to the fact that there was an increased demand for smaller tenements, and people were prepared to pay larger rents for the right to build temporary houses

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A Press Notice issued by the Hon. Commr. F. G. Hole, Harbour Master, Hongkong, states that on and after Sept. 3, 1940 all foreign ships of more than 75 tons entering Singapore will have their holds sighted by officers of the Examination Service before being allowed to leave the Examination Centre at Singapore.

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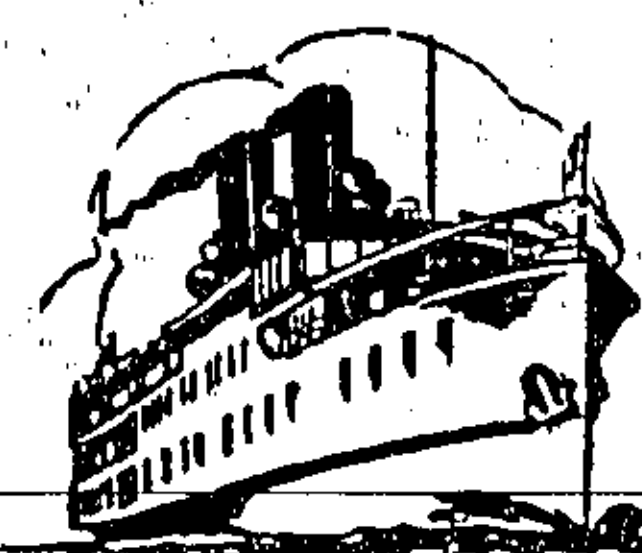
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Hong Kong, 6th September, 1940. [481]

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ITALY'S LONG WAR PREDICTION SEEN AS SIGN OF WANING CONFIDENCE

PREDICTIONS OF TWO MORE YEARS OF WAR NOW BEING MADE BY ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS INDICATE WANING CONFIDENCE IN GERMAN INVINCIBILITY, writes J. W. T. Mason in the Manila Bulletin.

Roman realists are in reality pointing to Hitler in their comments on length of the war implying that the Nazi air attacks over Britain have failed and an invasion can not be expected.

When Mussolini carried Italy into the war, France was tottering and Italians believed they would have to hurry to join the combat before Hitler began dictating peace terms.

THEY BELIEVED THAT BEFORE THE FIRST YEAR OF THE FIGHT WAS OVER that the war would be finished and they would have their pickings consolidated under the Italian flag.

CHANGED CONDITIONS Affairs have not gone that way and the Italians are becoming restless under changed conditions which were far from being what they expected.

Hitler has not been able to comply with the promise to annihilate Britain from the air and Mussolini has failed to obtain command of the Mediterranean. Last week Rome reports admitted that the Italian fleet was unable to challenge British Mediterranean squadrons, this being the excuse for delays in starting the military offensive in North Africa.

Now Rome is beginning to envisage hostilities prolonged into 1942, and the Italian people are gradually being taught to expect heavy sacrifices for a prolonged period.

The trust in Hitler and Mussolini being able to dominate Europe by a series of blitzkrieg blows has now vanished in Italy. Uncertainty regarding the outcome must begin to arise. Italy is out for gain and not fighting a defensive war. Mussolini wants territorial expansion.

OFFENSIVE IMPETUS The offensive impetus is always

BENT ON CONQUEST

But Hitler and Mussolini are compelled to try to press forward since they are bent on conquest. Not to advance is to admit at least a secondary defeat. To confess after the first year of warfare that the expected victory is still two years away is a confession that the advances have been checked.

No conqueror can predict success two years in advance. An offensive always suffers many more casualties than the defense. The longer the war continues, the weaker the offensive nations should become and the stronger the nation fighting defensively.

ECONOMIC EXHAUSTION

A point of economic exhaustion for the offensive belligerents coupled with weakened military morale is always a danger in prolonged warfare. When that situation is reached it is customary to expect a major counter-offensive by the defensive side seeking a final victory.

That was how Waterloo was won, as it is now again Britain's basic strategy. The primary condition is to keep the war going for several years. That expectation seems now to be accepted as inevitable by the totalitarians as Italy's admission that two more combat years can be expected seems to indicate.

reach Britain in increasing numbers, however, it may be possible that by next spring the British may have superiority over the Germans. In that case, we may expect daylight mass-scale raids over Germany.

INTENSITY OF AIR WAR WILL DIMINISH AS ITS FUTILITY IS REALISED

IN THE LONDON-BERLIN RAIDS, the Germans have the advantage of flying only a short distance and numerical superiority, while the British have higher aviation efficiency, writes J. W. T. Mason. United Press Military Expert in the Manila Bulletin.

The attacks have not yet served any important military purpose according to foreign correspondents who, after inspecting damage in both places, reported minor results.

The lowest estimate of German superiority is five to three, while the highest is five to two.

MASS RAIDS

Whatever proportion, it gives the Germans an opportunity for mass daytime raids which the British do not yet possess.

The British must concentrate their night attacks on Germany since the night defences are far less effective than when the planes are visible. With American supplies and planes beginning to

Magnetic Storms Due This Week: Earth Tremors Likely

Recently the Philippine Islands' weather bureau had more than its usual quota of telephone calls about the uncertainties of the weather, but this time most of them had nothing to do with the typhoons which have been giving Manila and other parts of the archipelago some very bad weather. There was a new object of concern—severe "magnetic storms" due to sunspots, reports the Manila Bulletin.

Several worried residents wanted to know how badly the cosmic storms would affect weather and shipping in the Philippines. One of them asked whether the new wrinkle in physical phenomena would so interfere with shipping schedules as to prevent his projected trip to Iloilo.

MAGNETIC STORMS To all and sundry Father Bernard F. Doucette, S. J., chief of the meteorological division of the weather bureau, patiently explained that the magnetic storms have nothing to do with the weather, that they may be a cause for worry among communication companies, but not the public in general. He added that certainly the magnetic storms would cause no damage or destruction to life and property that a typhoon would.

Interference with shipping would arise only from difficulty of radio communication. And they would not cause earthquakes. But because the storms were predicted to reach their height about a week from today up to yesterday there were still many calls and apparently many Manilaans continue to be excited over the announced phenomenon.

CAUSE OF EXCITEMENT Cause of the excitement was a report from Faenza, Italy, carried in last Monday's Bulletin that scientists in that city on Aug. 30 predicted unprecedented magnetic storms during the second half of September which would disturb telephonic and telegraphic communications over the world and also interfere with ocean-going navigation. The scientists were reported to have said: "Perhaps a number of earth tremors will be felt, but they will be unimportant. A long series of studies in past weeks permit us to state that the cosmic storm which will hit the world is being caused by a number of sunspots. These will start appearing around the sun around Sept. 5."

"They will reach a total of about 40 between Sept. 12 and 14, when the disturbances will begin to be felt throughout the world. The sunspots will be the largest seen in many years. They will be visible through ordinary smoked glasses."

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Formosa, U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, and Shanghai — (San Francisco date, 8th September).	34th Sept.
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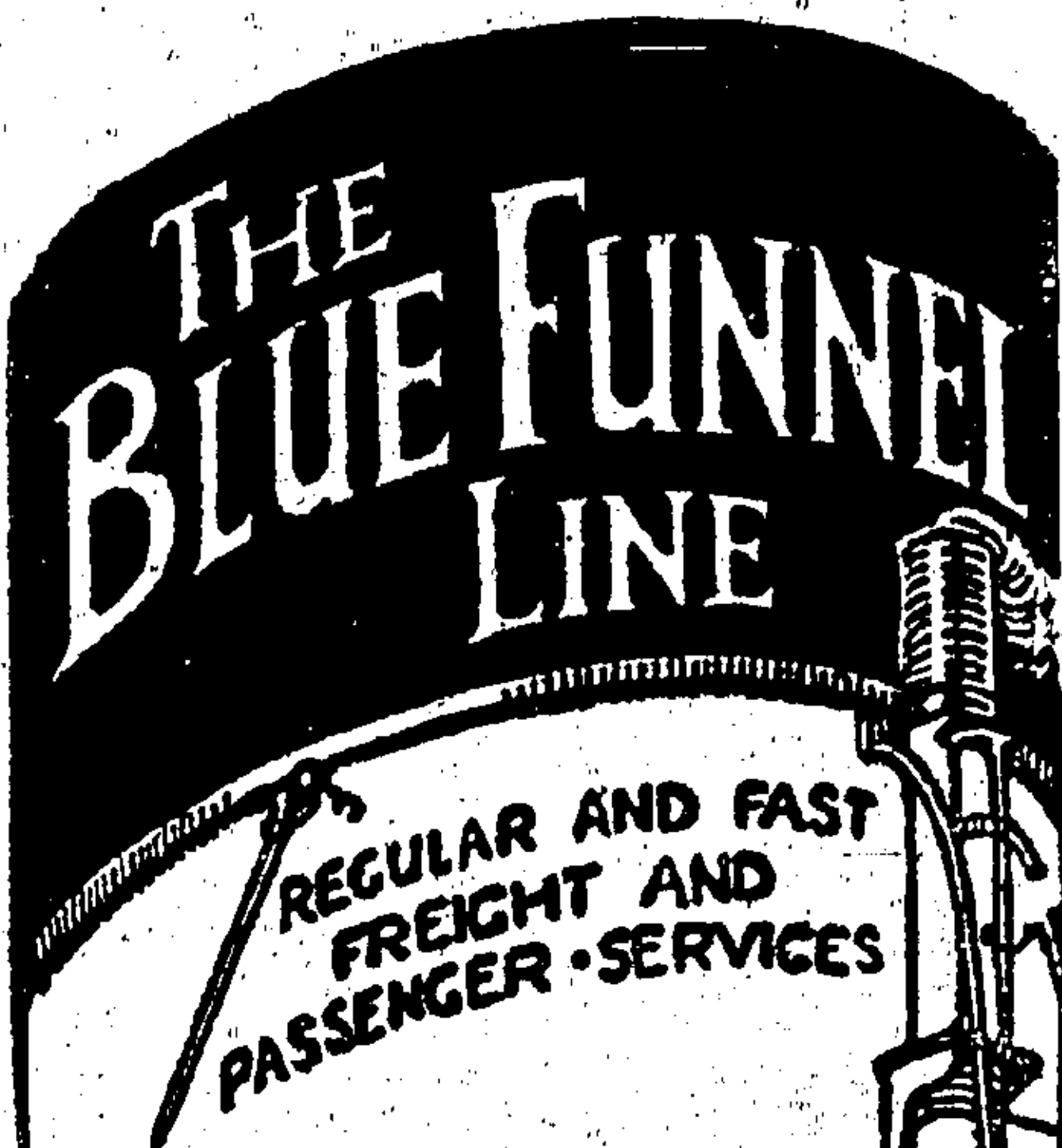
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SATURDAY	Sat. 21st
Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta	K.P.O. Par. 20th 5.00 PM Let. 21st 9.30 AM
TUESDAY	Tue. 24th
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Sandakan	K.P.O. 7.00 PM
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Manila, Batavia and Sourabaya	Noon
FRIDAY	Fri. 27th
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
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